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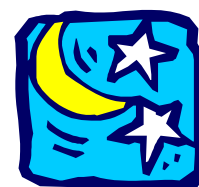
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Occupational Projections	http://wi.dws.state.ut.us ; click on "Occupational Outlook Information"
Census 2000 Data	http://factfinder.census.gov/
Population/Projection Data	http://www.governor.state.ut.us/dea/
Construction Data	http://www.business.utah.edu/BEBR/conreport.html
Sales and Tax Data	http://www.tax.ex.state.ut.us/ESU/ESUHTML.HTM
Travel/Tourism Impacts	http://www.dced.state.ut.us/travel/researchplanning.html
Agricultural Census	http://www.usda.gov/nass/
Income Data	http://www.bea.doc.gov/bea/regional/data.htm
Poverty Data	http://www.census.gov/hhes/www/saipe.html



Summary

The national economic slowdown showed little effect in Sanpete County during 2000. The county did lose some construction jobs, but manufacturing employment actually grew. In addition, the best county-level indicator of economic well-being—growth in total nonfarm jobs—showed moderate expansion. At the same time, unemployment decreased, residential construction held steady, and sales increased. However, Sanpete County's economy will undoubtedly feel the pangs of the national downturn. Moreover, low incomes and wages continue to plague the area.

Population

During the 1960s and 1970s, Sanpete County lost population. In fact between 1950 and 1960, population in the county declined by 20 percent. Roughly 6,000 fewer individuals made the county home in 1970 than in 1920! However, by the 1980s, population was spilling out of the Wasatch front and the county saw a dramatic influx of individuals which continued into the year 2000.

Just how fast was the population growth? Recently released figures from Census 2000 tell us that roughly 22,800 individuals lived in Sanpete County during 2000. That represents a 40-percent decade increase in population. In fact, Sanpete County was the seventh fastest growing county in Utah during the 90s. Compare Sanpete County's 40-percent expansion in population to the 30 percent growth in Utah population between 1990 and 2000. The comparative U.S. increase measured a mere 13 percent.

Gunnison experienced the most rapid population growth between 1990 and 2000—84 percent. However, Ephraim showed the largest net increase in population. More than 1,100 individuals lived in Ephraim in 2000 than in 1990. Sanpete County is unusual for a nonurban county in that it supports several population centers rather than just one. Gunnison, Mt. Pleasant, Manti, and Ephraim are among the larger cities.

Demographic and Economic Profile

Demographics

One of the more startling changes the Census revealed was an increase in Sanpete County's Hispanic population. In 1990, less than 4 percent of the county's population was Hispanic. By 2000, that share had increased to almost 7 percent. Still, Sanpete County remains much less racially and ethnically diverse than the state and the national. Only 10 percent of the county's population is nonwhite or Hispanic compared to 31 percent nationally.

Unlike many communities, Sanpete County has not seen a significant aging of its population. Census data shows that 11 percent of the county's population is over the age of 65—less than the 13 percent registered in 1990. This is undoubtedly due the influx of younger population during the 1990s.

Sanpete County's population is indeed heavy on the young side. Roughly 33 percent of the population is 18 years old or younger compared to 26 percent nationally. On the other hand, Sanpete County's population distribution is fairly similar to Utah's except for a bulge in the college-age population. That fact is hardly surprising given the presence of Snow College. In addition, Sanpete County shows more "seniors," but a smaller share of "working age" adults.

Sanpete County is one of few counties which experienced an increase in household size during the 90s. In addition, Sanpete County families are more likely than Utah or U.S. families to be headed by a married couple. Moreover, only 6 percent of the county's families are headed by women with children compared to 8 percent in Utah and 11 percent nationally.

The Labor Market

With annual job growth of 3.8 percent during 2000, Sanpete County surpassed the employment expansion rates of both Utah and the United States. This moderate rate of growth placed Sanpete County as eighth in a ranking of

Utah counties based on job growth. However, 2000 marked a rebound in Sanpete County from 1999.

The building of the new WalMart in Ephraim greatly affected the labor market. As construction of the store was completed, construction jobs declined (down 8 percent). On the other hand, the store accounted for a large share of new employment in retail trade. Most of the county's 250 net new jobs were created in retail trade, government, and services. Despite the national downturn—particularly in manufacturing—Sanpete County managed to create almost 40 new jobs.

This job growth helped push Sanpete County's unemployment rate down to the lowest level in more than two decades—4.6 percent. Nevertheless, the county's jobless rate still measures above state and national averages. The seasonal nature of employment in the county results in this perennially higher-than-average unemployment rate since a noticeable share of the labor force spends at least some time out of work each year.

Wages and Income

One of the most striking facets of the Sanpete County economy is the low wages. Only one county in the state (Rich) shows a lower average monthly nonfarm wage than Sanpete County. In 2000, Sanpete County's average monthly nonfarm wage registered only \$1,483. That's a mere 62 percent of the state average and only 51 percent of the U.S. figure.

The abundance of a young college-age workforce fosters these low wages and the seasonal nature of some employment also plays a role in the lower wages. Even the expanding economy works to keep wages low—particularly when the new jobs are in services or retail trade. When new firms enter the area or expand, they often hire at the bottom of their pay scales.

The average Sanpete County worker's wages grew by 4 percent during 2000. That was enough to keep wages growing faster than inflation. Of course, not all forms of compensation can be measured in dollars. Obviously, many workers are willing to forgo higher wages to enjoy the quality of life in the county. In addition, many workers commute to higher-paying jobs outside the county.

Transportation/Communications/Utilities is the highest-paying industry in the county. Trade had the lowest average wages because many are part-time and low-pay. All Sanpete County industries show lower average wages than Utah. With wages at 79 percent of the state average, transportation/communications/utilities wages also most closely approximated the state's figures.

Measures of income (which includes interest income, rental income, business income, government payments such as Social Security and welfare, as well as wages) show a similarly dismal picture. Moreover, median household income figures rank below state and national averages. In terms of per capita personal income, Sanpete County again ranks second to last in the state. Not surprisingly, Sanpete County estimates of poverty (16 percent) register higher than the averages for both Utah and the United States.

Other indicators

Construction permit values dropped by almost 30 percent during 2000. This decline was primarily due to a decrease in nonresidential construction. However, keep in mind that 1999 was a record high year for nonresidential permit values—thanks in part to the permitting of the new WalMart. Home building remained remarkably stable—just as it has for the past six years. The majority of residential permitting occurred in Ephraim.

The presence of the new WalMart in Ephraim also left its mark on gross taxable sales. During 2000, sales in the county grew by 16 percent. This performance is particularly spectacular when compared to the less than 2-percent expansion rate of the previous year.

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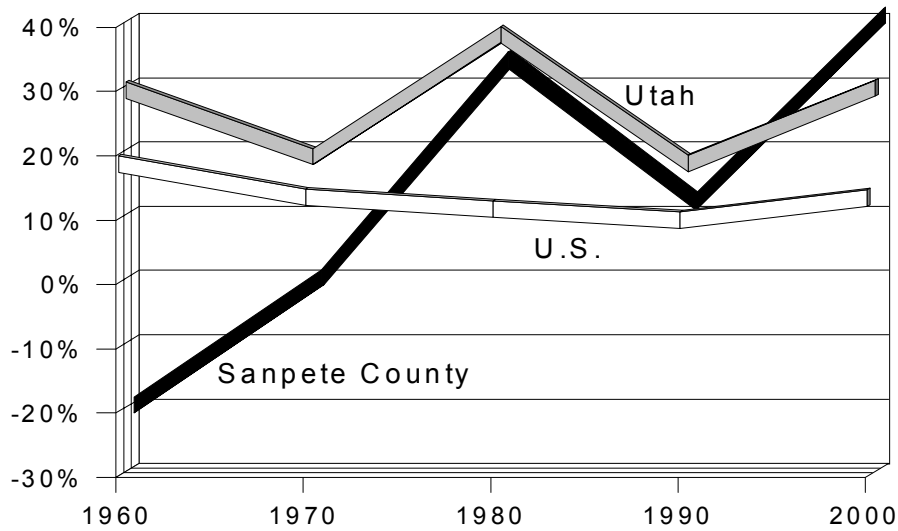
All in all, Sanpete County's economy rebounded somewhat during 2000. The most remarkable feat of the county during 2000 was undoubtedly the creation of almost 40 new manufacturing jobs. In addition, the construction and opening of the new WalMart affected almost all economic indicators. Nevertheless, Sanpete County is susceptible to the national downturn. Moreover, lower-than-average wages continue to characterize the area.

Population



Profile

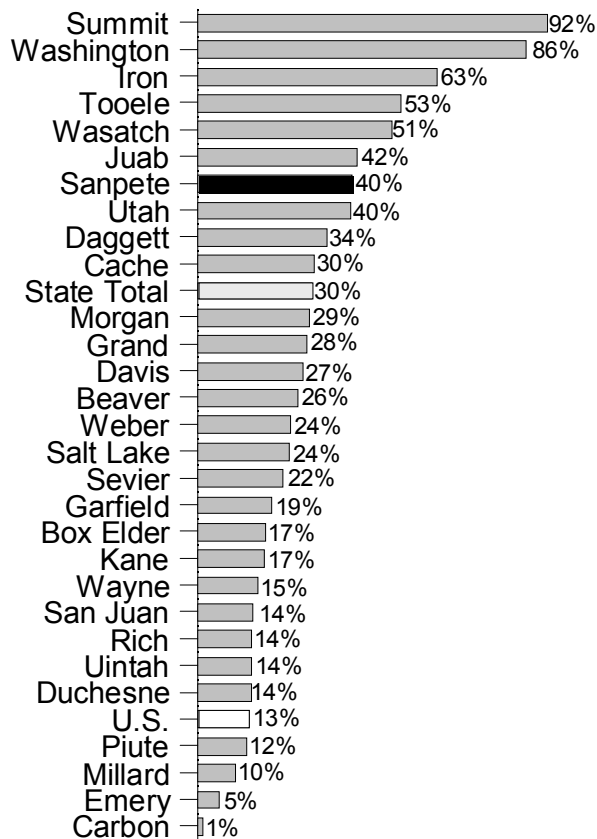
Population Growth



Sanpete County experienced mass out-migration during the 50s, 60s, and 70s. In fact 6,000 more people lived in the county in 1920 than in 1970. However, population growth has skyrocketed during the last two decades.

Source: U.S. Census Bureau.

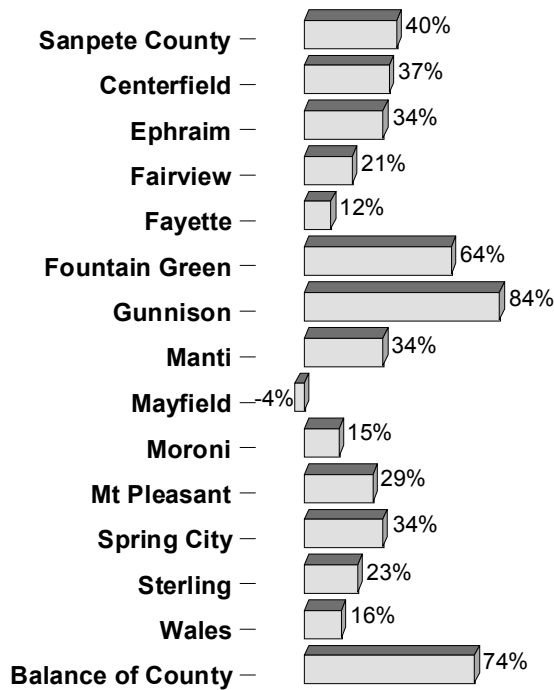
1990 to 2000 Population Growth by County



Sanpete County's proximity to bustling Utah County has helped spur growth in the 90s. With a 40 percent increase in population, Sanpete County registered as the seventh-fastest growing county in the state between 1990 and 2000.

Source: U.S. Census Bureau.

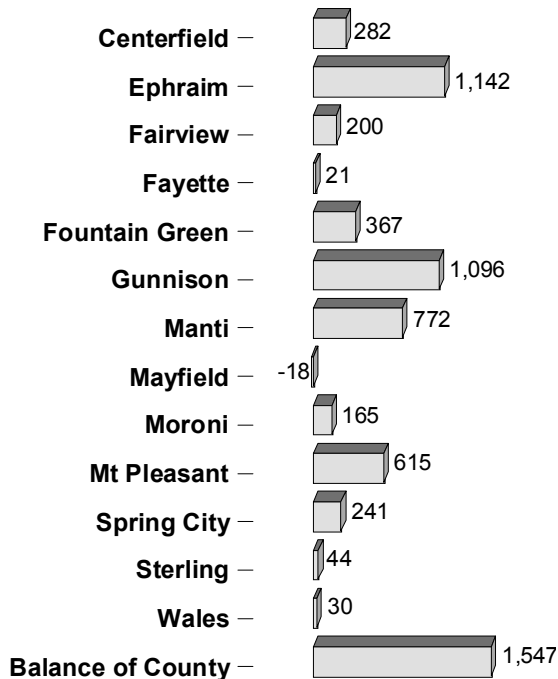
1990-2000 Population Change by City



During the 90s, Gunnison was the fastest growing Sanpete County town. On the other hand, Mayfield actually showed a 4-percent decrease in population.

Source: U.S. Census Bureau.

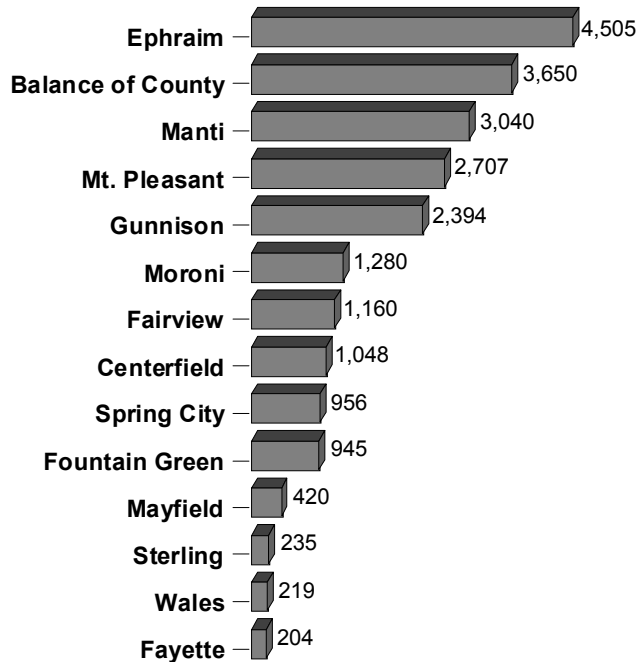
1990-2000 Population Growth by City



While Gunnison grew the fastest, Ephraim added the most new residents. In addition, much of Sanpete County's population growth in the 90s occurred outside the larger townships.

Source: U.S. Census Bureau.

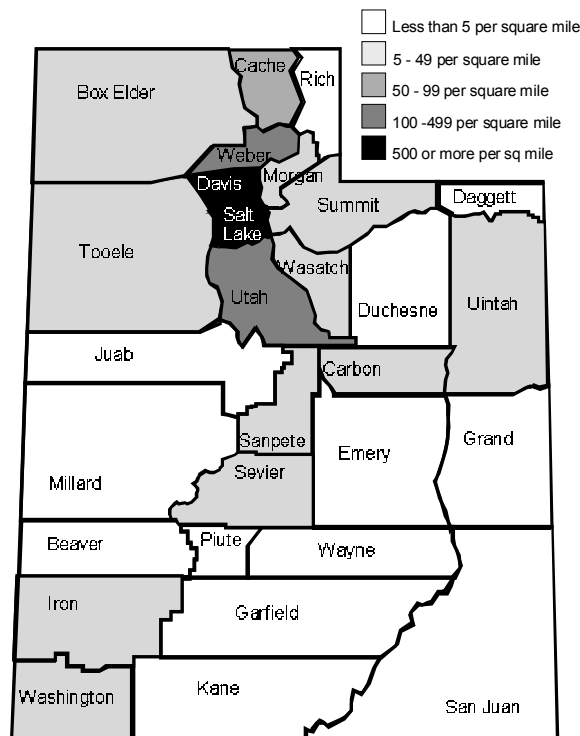
2000 Population by City



Ephraim is the largest Sanpete County town. However, unlike many nonurban counties, Sanpete County has several larger centers of population including Manti, Mt. Pleasant, and Gunnison.

Source: U.S. Census Bureau.

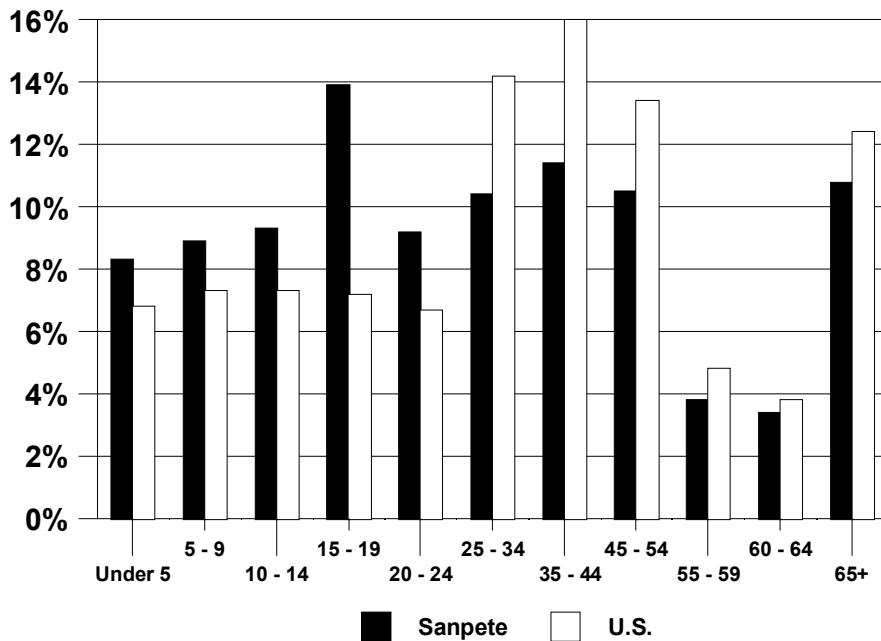
2000 Population Density



Despite rapid population growth in the 90s, Sanpete County's population density (at 14 persons per square mile) is relatively low.

Source: U.S. Census Bureau.

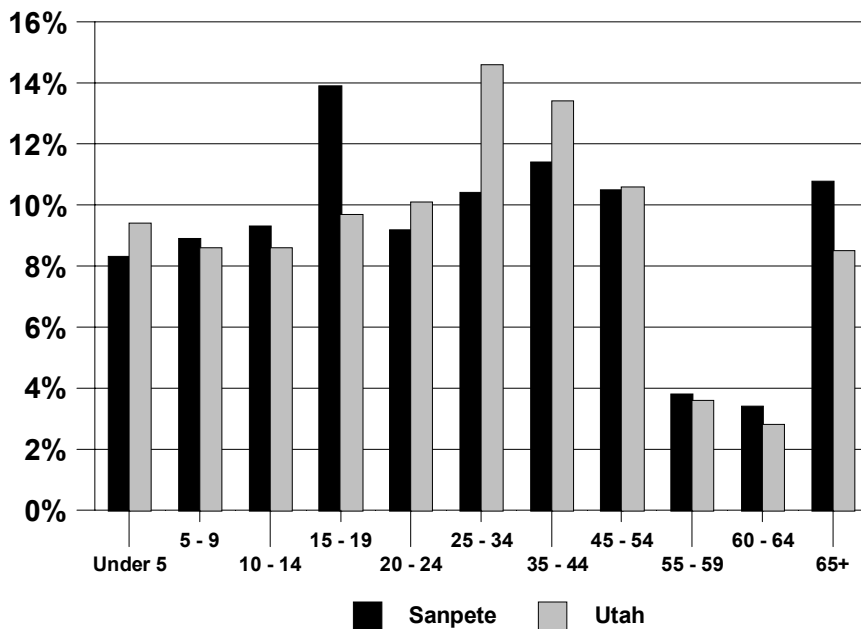
2000 Population Age Distribution



In comparison to the United States, Sanpete County's population is much more youth-heavy. Of course, enrollment at Snow College can be seen in the college-age groupings.

Source: U.S. Census Bureau.

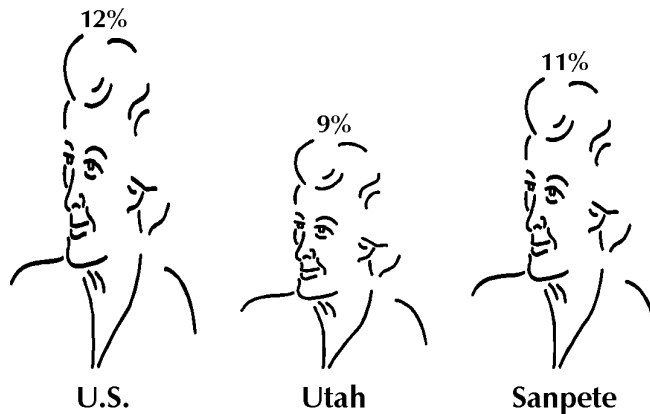
2000 Population Age Distribution



When compared to the Utah age distribution, Snow College students are once again evident—particularly in the 15-19 year-old age group. Sanpete County also shows a higher share of "seniors" than the state in general.

Source: U.S. Census Bureau.

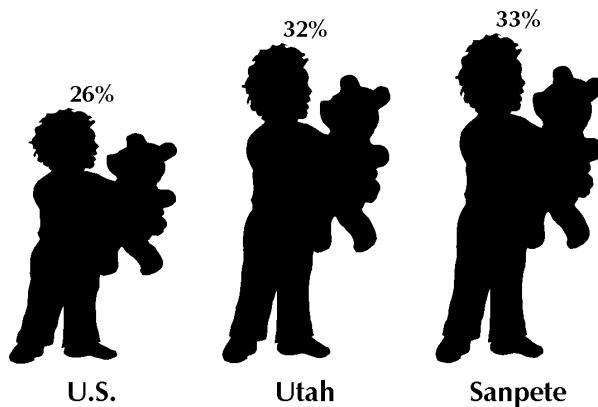
2000 Population over 65



Source: U.S. Census Bureau.

The percentage of Sanpete County's population over the age of 65 decreased slightly from 13 percent in 1990 to less than 11 percent in 2000.

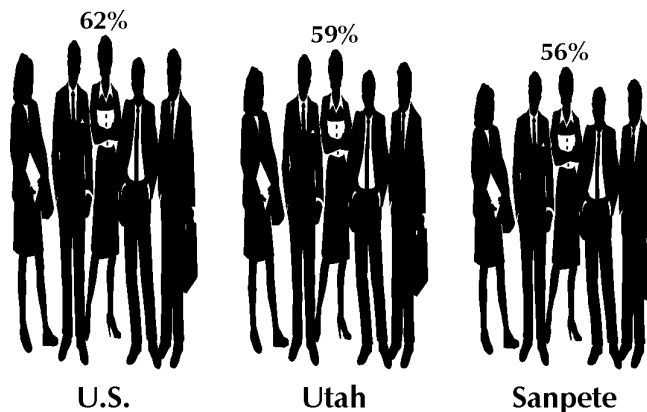
2000 Population under 18



Source: U.S. Census Bureau.

Both the state of Utah and Sanpete County have a high share of young people and children compared to the national average.

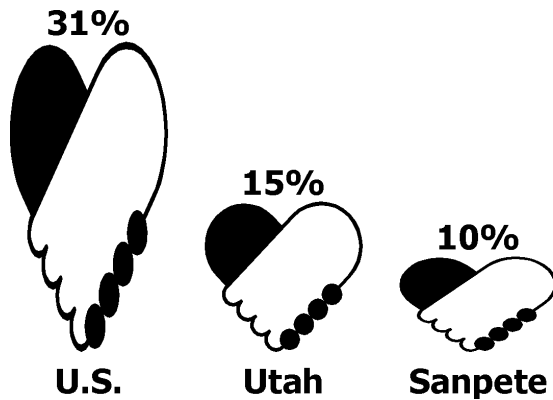
2000 Working Age Population



Source: U.S. Census Bureau.

With a higher than average share of "seniors" and young people, Sanpete County's share of "working-age" population (18 to 65 years old) is smaller than both the Utah and U.S. figures.

2000 Nonwhite or Hispanic Population

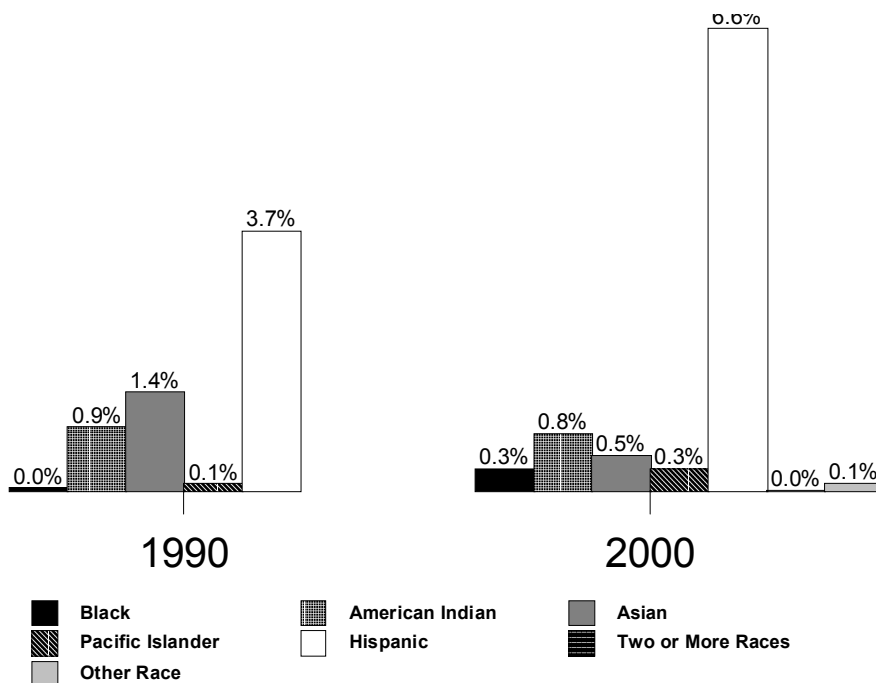


Source: U.S. Census Bureau.

Sanpete County's population is less diverse than either Utah's or the nation's. However, in 2000, only 7 percent of the population was Hispanic or Nonwhite.

NOTE: For Census 2000, the U.S. Census Bureau changed the way it collected race and ethnic information. Respondents were able to check as many racial groups as applied and also to indicate "other."

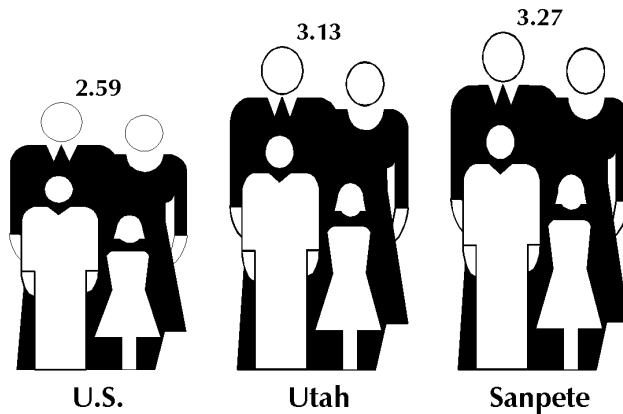
Sanpete County Race/Ethnic Distribution



Source: U.S. Census Bureau.

In the decade of the 90s, the most eye-catching change in the county's race/ethnic distribution was the substantial growth in Sanpete County's Hispanic population. In addition, a smaller share of individuals classified themselves as Asian.

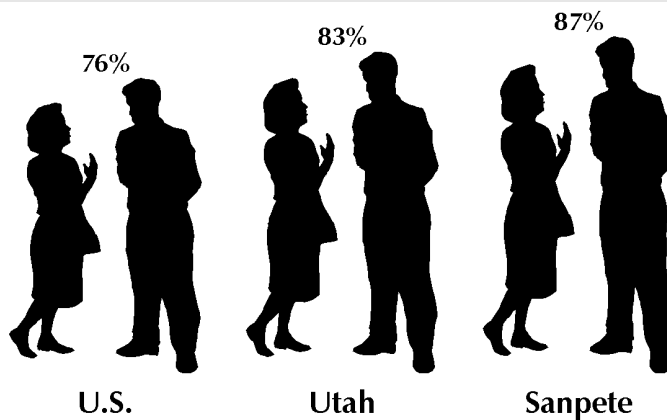
2000 Average Persons per Household



Source: U.S. Census Bureau.

Between 1990 and 2000, Sanpete County's household size grew slightly from 3.20 persons to 3.27 persons. Utah's household size remained virtually unchanged.

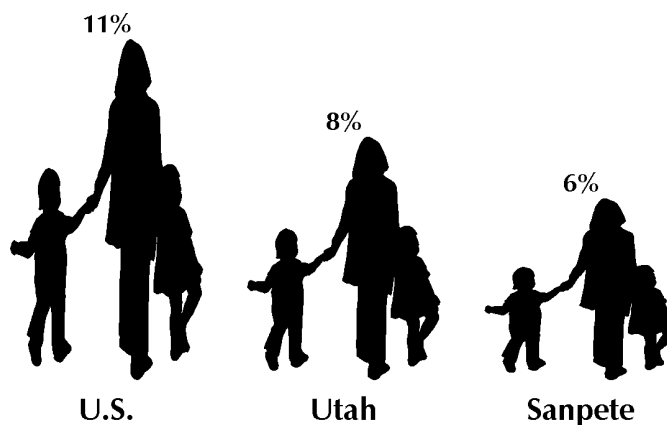
2000 Married Couple Families*



* As a percent of total families.
Source: U.S. Census Bureau.

Sanpete County and Utah families are more likely to have a married couple at their head than the national average.

2000 Female-Headed Families with Children*

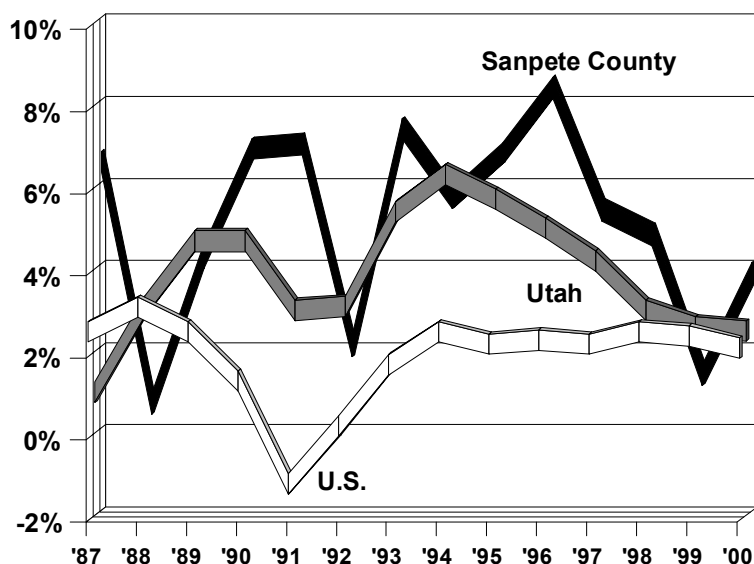


* With children under 18 as a percent of total families.
Source: U.S. Census Bureau.

Sanpete County also showed a noticeably smaller percentage of female-headed families with children under 18 years of age.

Employment Profile

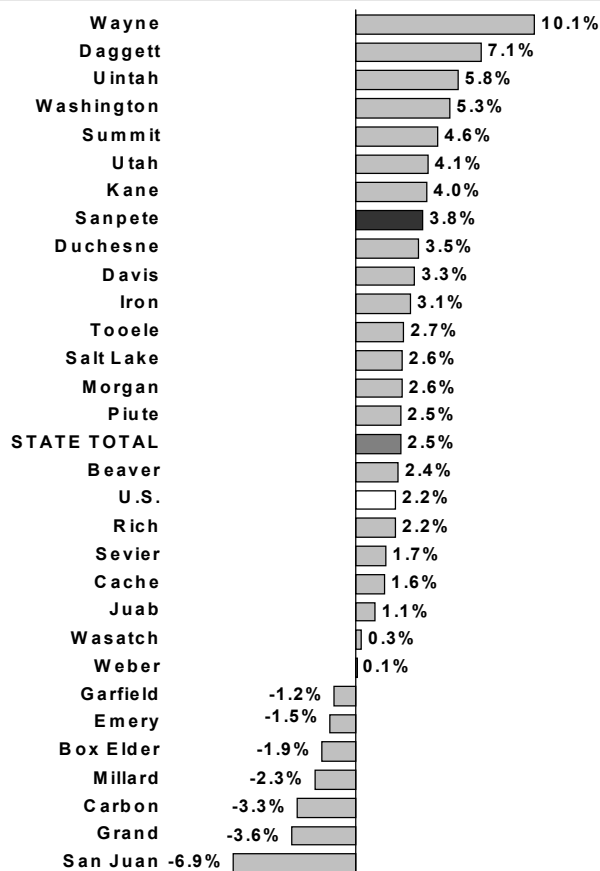
Annual Growth in Nonfarm Jobs



Sanpete County typically follows the general trend of Utah and U.S. job growth—with higher peaks and valleys. However, it departed from the larger-economy trend starting in 2000 when job growth rates rebounded.

Source: Utah Department of Workforce Services, U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics.

Annual 2000* Growth in Nonfarm Jobs

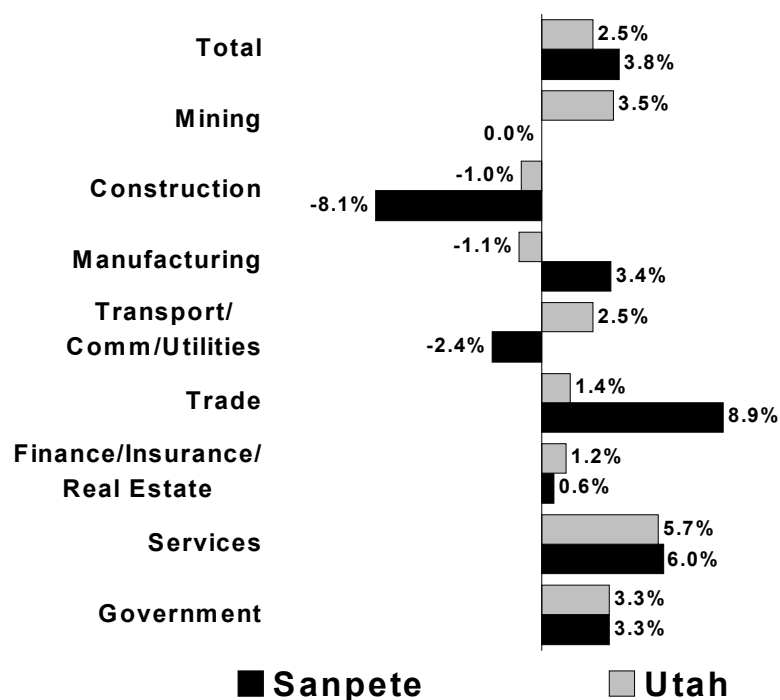


With 3.8 percent nonfarm job growth, Sanpete County wasn't the fastest-growing county in the state during 2000. But, compared to a slowdown in both the state and national economies, the county appears economically healthy.

*Preliminary data.

Source: Utah Department of Workforce Services, U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics

1999-2000* Nonfarm Job Percent Change

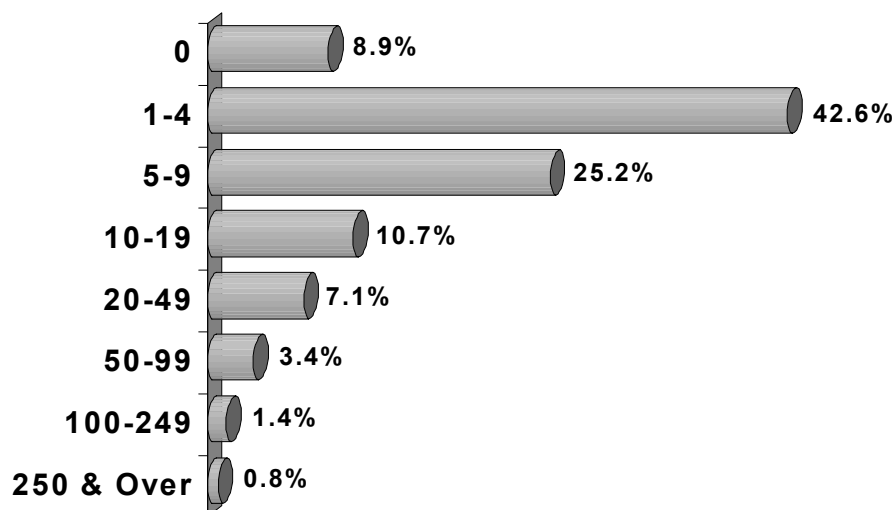


The Sanpete County construction and transportation/communications/utilities industries suffered job losses related to the national economic slowdown. However, the opening of the new WalMart store gave retail employment a decided boost.

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Source: Utah Department of Workforce Services, U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics

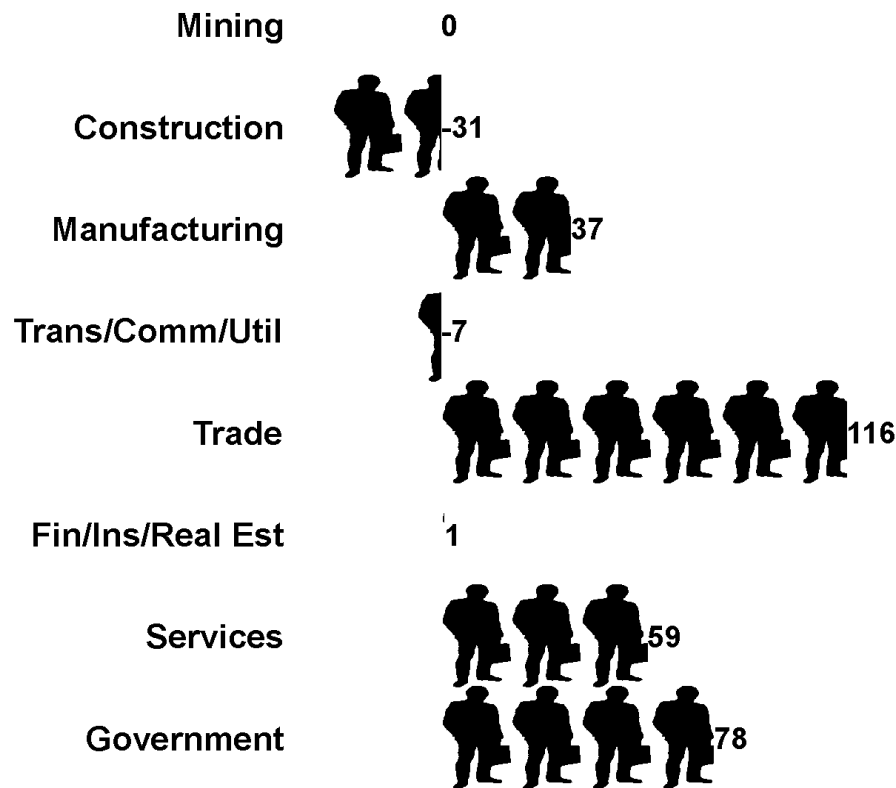
1st Quarter 2000 Sanpete Firms by Size



In Sanpete County, more than half the firms have fewer than five employees.

Source: Utah Department of Workforce Services, U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics

1999-2000* Nonfarm Job Growth by Industry

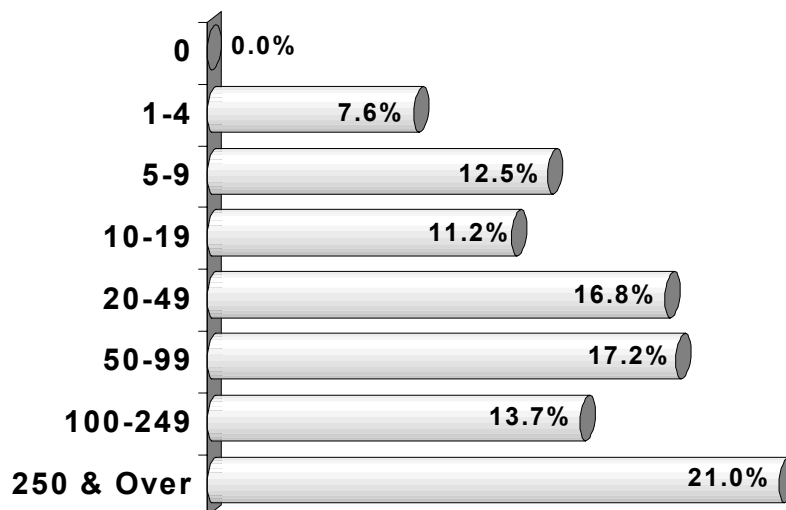


Sanpete County created 250 net new jobs in the year 2000. Trade, services and government added most of these new positions.

*Preliminary data.

Source: Utah Department of Workforce Services, U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics

1st Qtr 2000 Sanpete Jobs by Firm Size

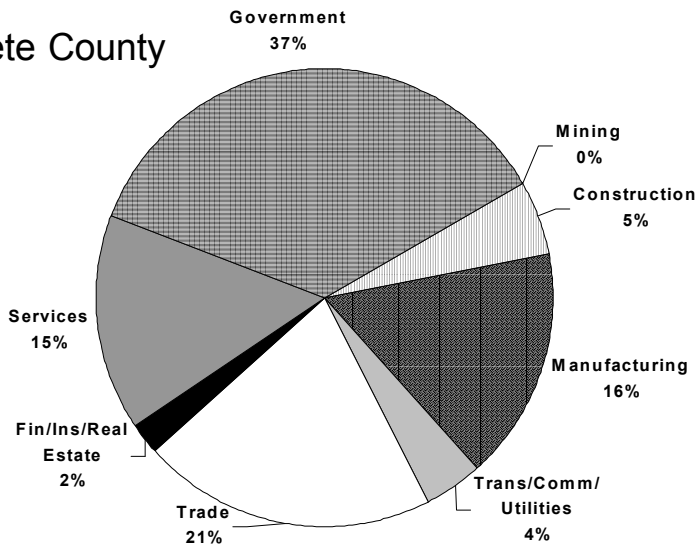


Large companies with 250 or more employees account for more than one-fifth of total employment in Sanpete County.

Source: Utah Department of Workforce Services, U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics

2000 Nonfarm Jobs Distribution by Industry

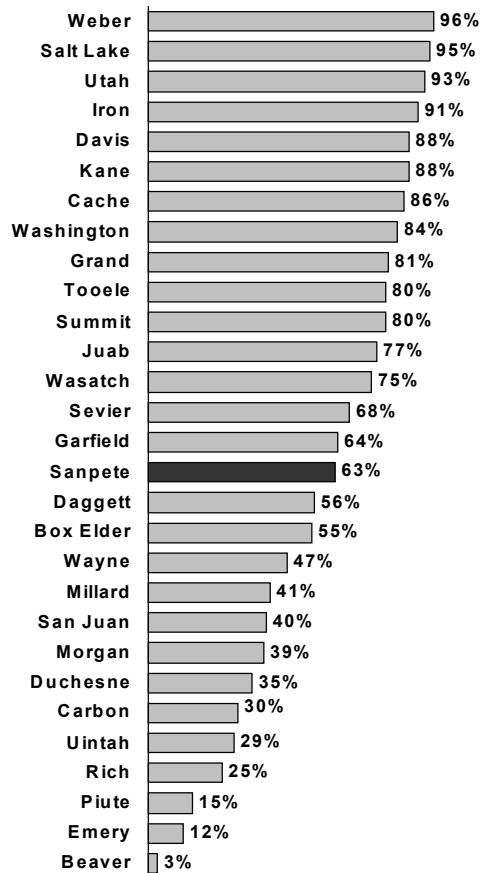
Sanpete County



Government plays a large role in Sanpete County's employment picture due to Snow College and the regional prison.

Source: Utah Department of Workforce Services.

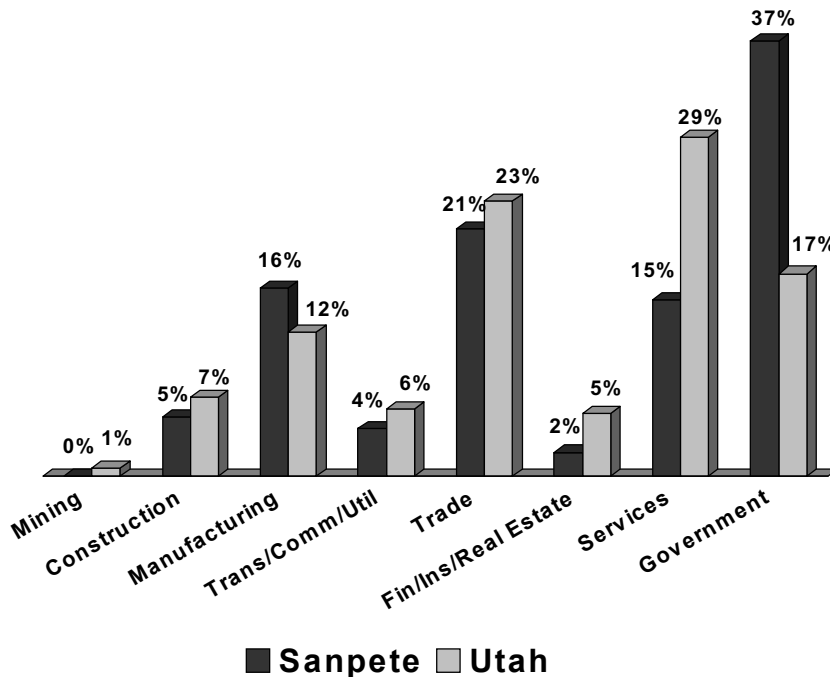
2000 Hachman Index by County



Sanpete County's economy is not very diverse according to the Hachman Index. This index compares industrial diversity in one area and another. In this case, the closer the index to 100, the closer the county is to the industrial profile of the United States.

Source: Utah Governor's Office of Planning and Budget.

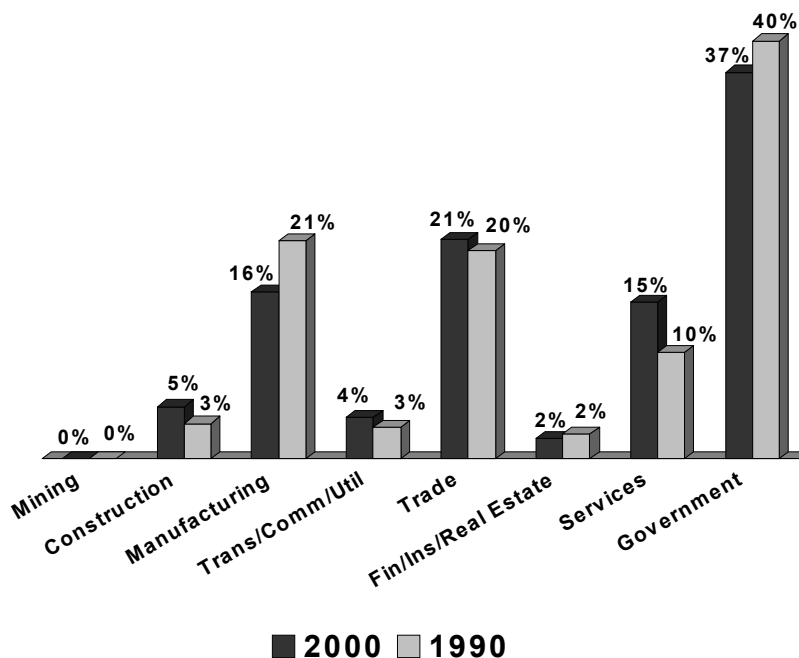
2000 Industrial Job Distribution



Source: Utah Department of Workforce Services.

When compared to Utah's distribution of nonfarm jobs, the importance of government in Sanpete County becomes even more apparent. In addition, Sanpete County shows a higher share of manufacturing employment than does the state.

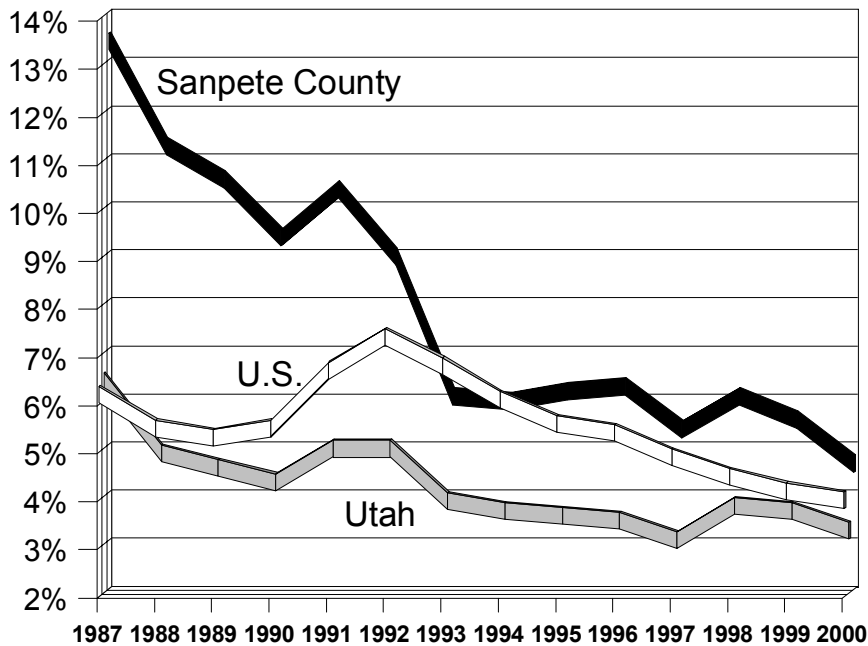
Sanpete County Industrial Job Distribution



Source: Utah Department of Workforce Services.

Construction, services, and trade have experienced increasing shares of employment in Sanpete County since 1990. However, manufacturing and government have become less important sources of employment.

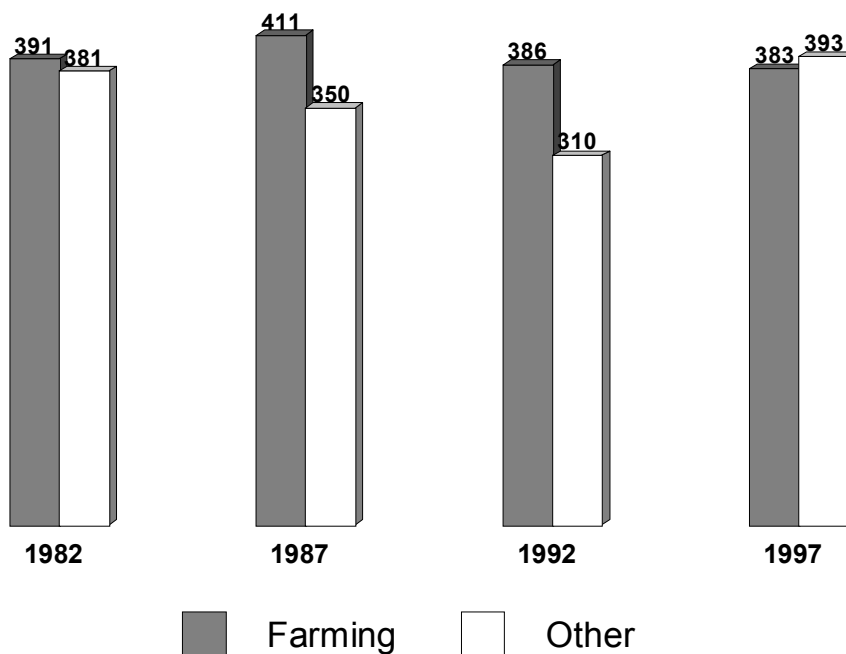
Annual Unemployment Rates



In 2000 Sanpete County's unemployment rate (4.6 percent) measured higher than the state average of 3.2 percent.

Source: Utah Department of Workforce Services.

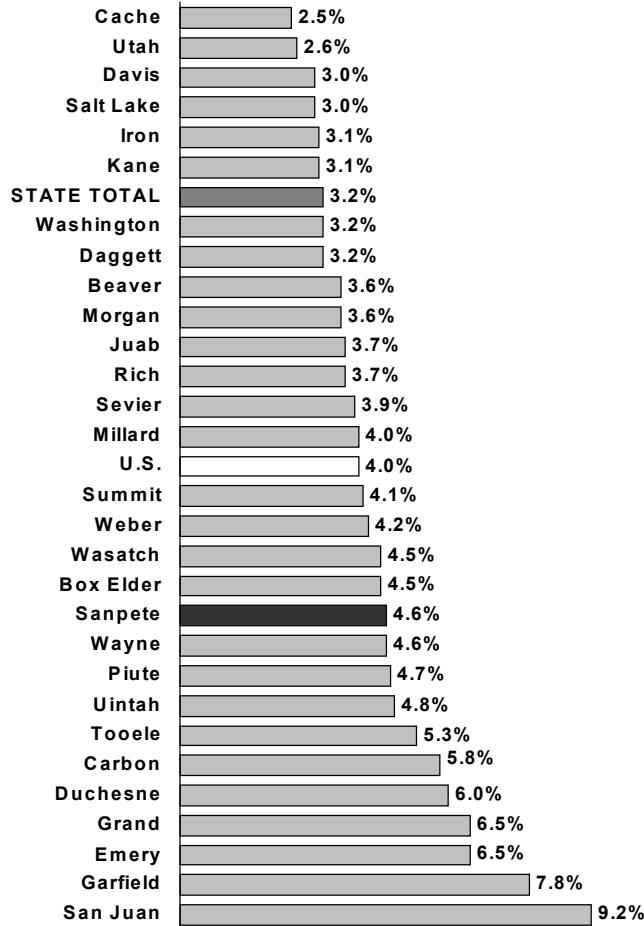
Sanpete County Farm Operators by Major Occupation



Currently, more farm operators in Sanpete County have a primary occupation other than agriculture. In the past most farm operator's primary occupation was farming.

Source: U.S. Census Bureau.

2000 Unemployment Rates by County



Sanpete County typically registers a higher-than-average jobless rate because of the seasonal nature of the economy.

Source: Utah Department of Workforce Services.

Largest Sanpete County Employers

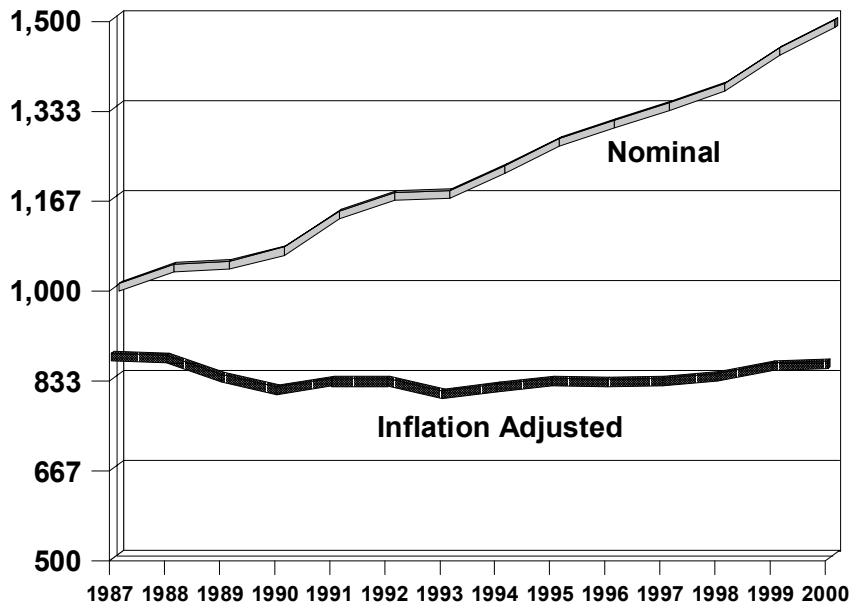
Company	Type of Industry
Moroni Feed	Poultry Processing
Snow College	Higher Education
State of Utah	State Government
South Sanpete School District	Public Education
North Sanpete School District	Public Education
WalMart	Variety Store
Gunnison Valley Hospital	Hospital
Sanpete Valley Hospital	Hospital
Sodexo Marriott Ed Services	Food Services
Cox Rock Products	Concrete Products
Western Wats	Research Services
Rivers West Apparel	Clothing Manufacturing
Cox Transport Corporation	Trucking
Terrel's Food Town	Grocery Store
Sanpete County	Local Government
Autometer Products	Instrument Manufacturing
Federal Government	Federal Government
Wasatch Technologies	Plastics Products
G Thrift Corporation	Grocery Store
Wasatch Academy	Private Education

Source: Utah Department of Workforce Services.

Wage and Income Profile



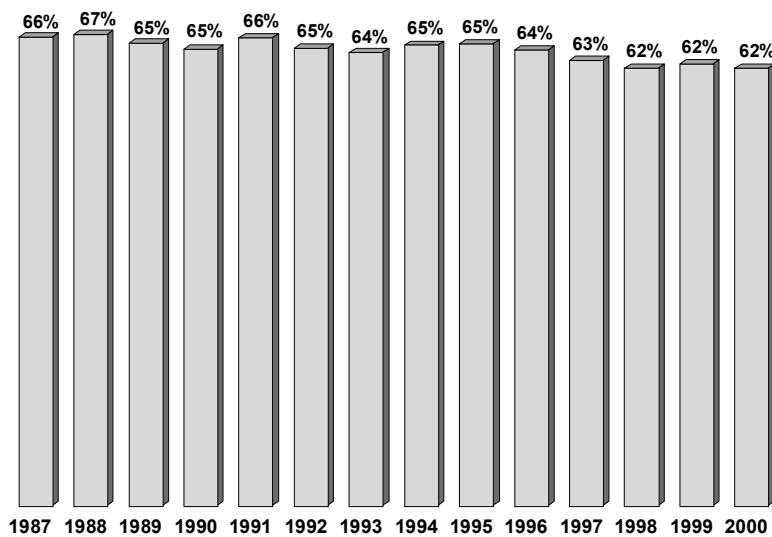
Sanpete County Average Monthly Wage



At \$1,483, Sanpete County's average monthly nonfarm wage rose almost 4 percent between 1999 and 2000. Wages grew slightly faster than inflation.

Note: Inflation adjusted wages reflect the rate of inflation as measured by the Consumer Price Index, 1982-83=100
Source: Utah Department of Workforce Services.

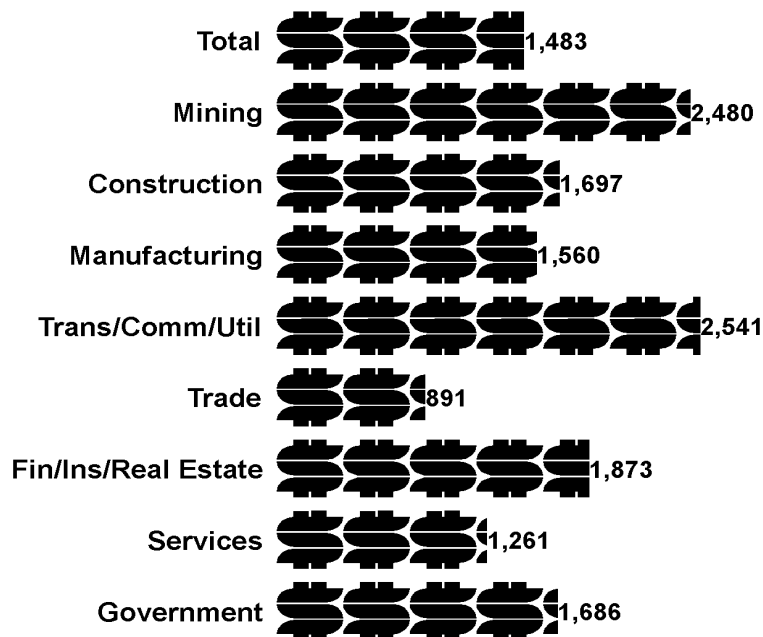
Sanpete County Average Monthly Wage as a Percent of State



Sanpete County's average wage measured only 62 percent of the state average and 51 percent of the U.S. average. Over the past decade Sanpete County's average wage has lost ground in comparison to state wages.

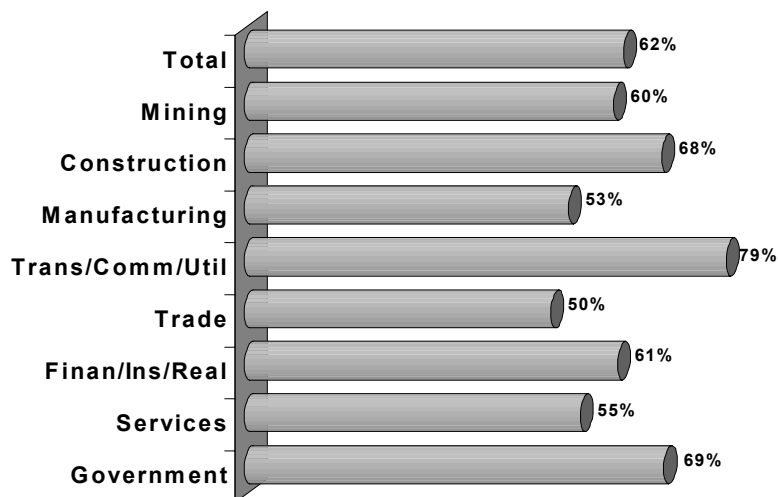
Source: Utah Department of Workforce Services.

Sanpete County 2000 Average Monthly Wage by Industry



Transportation/communications/utilities is the highest paying industry in Sanpete County. Trade has the lowest average wages due in part to the many part-time jobs in this industry.

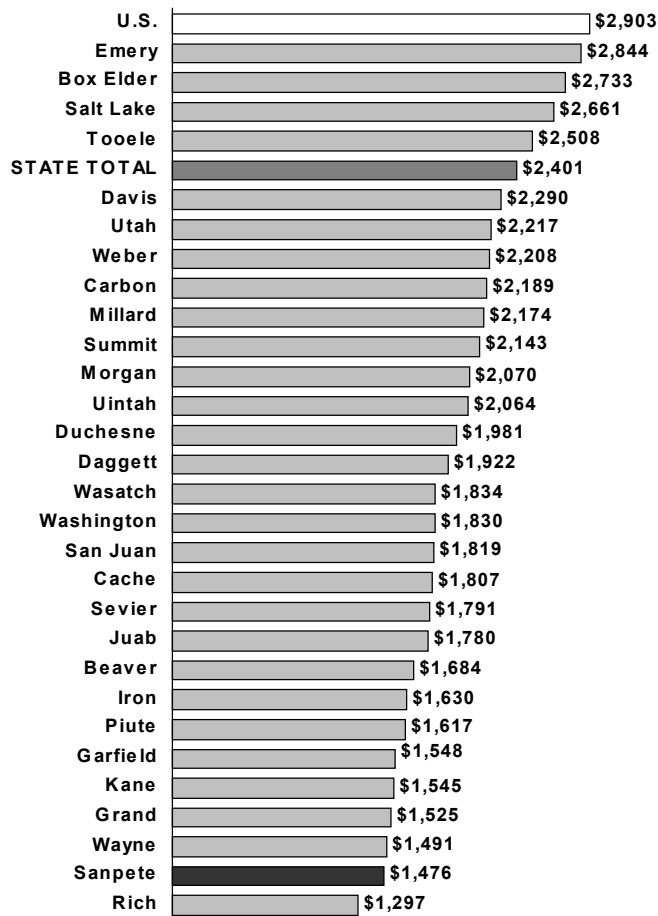
Sanpete County 2000 Average Monthly Wage as a Percent of State



All major Sanpete County industries show substantially lower average wages than the state. Transportation/communications/utilities wages most closely approximate the state average.

Source: Utah Department of Workforce Services.

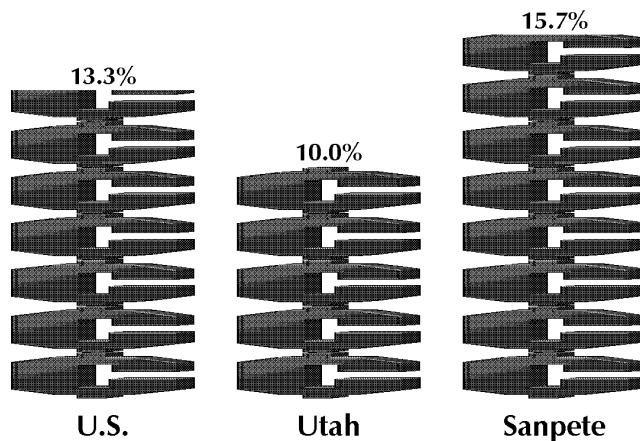
2000 Average Monthly Wage by County



Sanpete County's average monthly nonfarm wage registers so low that in a ranking of Utah counties it ranks second to last.

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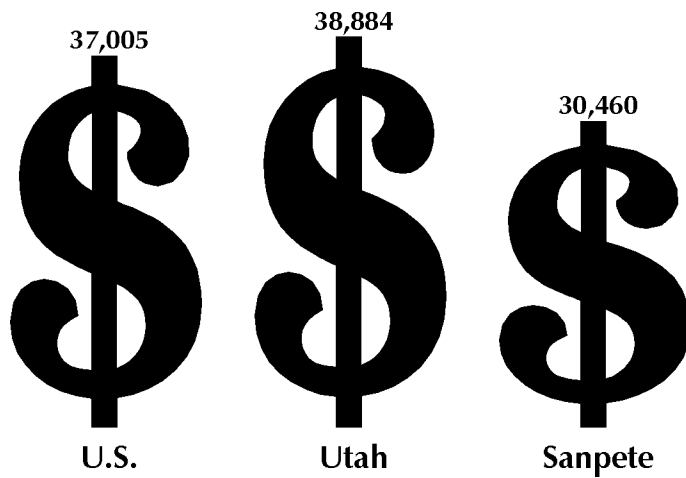
1997 Poverty Rates for People of All Ages



Sanpete County's poverty rate is higher than the national average.

Source: U.S. Census Bureau.

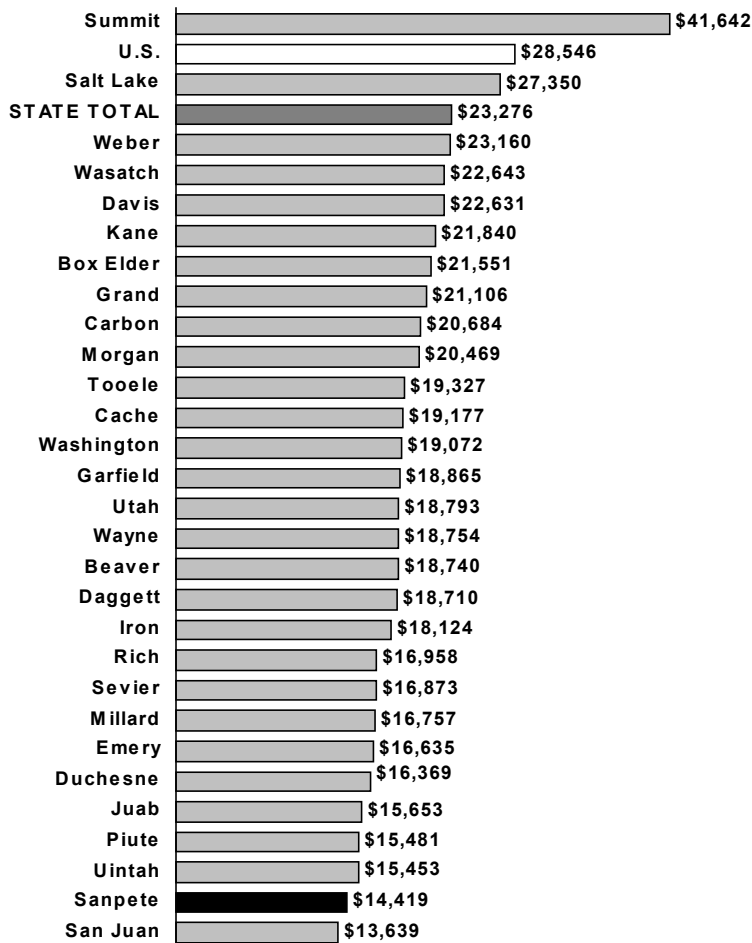
1997 Median Household Income Estimates



Not surprisingly, estimates of Sanpete County Household Income measure below both the state and national averages.

Source: U.S. Census Bureau.

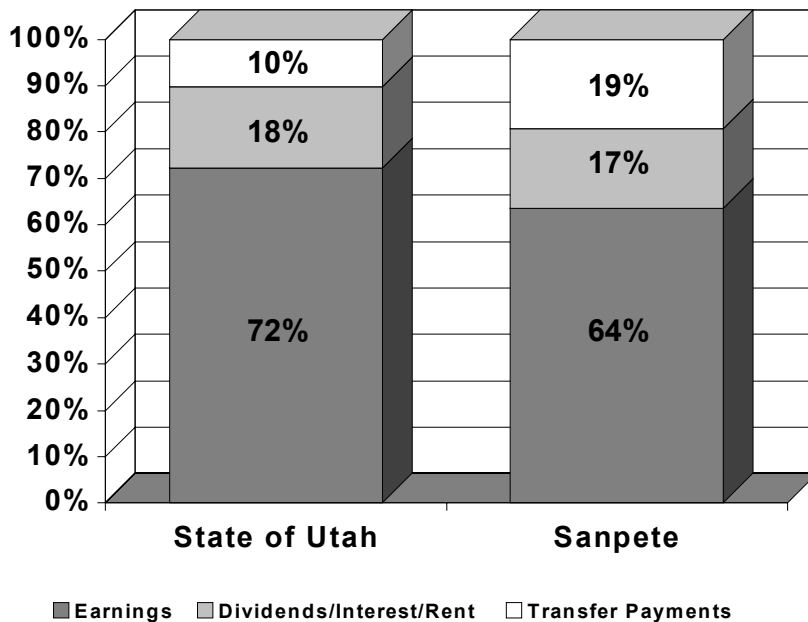
1999 Per Capita Personal Income by County



Sanpete County's per capita personal income also registers near the bottom of Utah's county ranking.

Source: U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis.

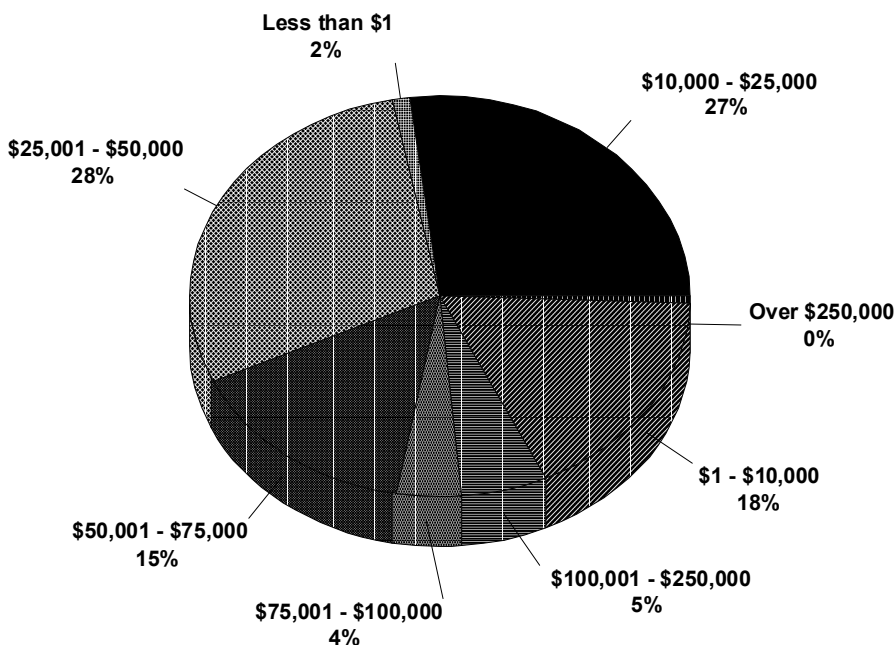
1999 Personal Income by Source



A much larger share of personal income is derived from transfer payments in Sanpete County than in Utah.

Source: U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis.

Sanpete County 1999 Family Income from IRS Tax Returns

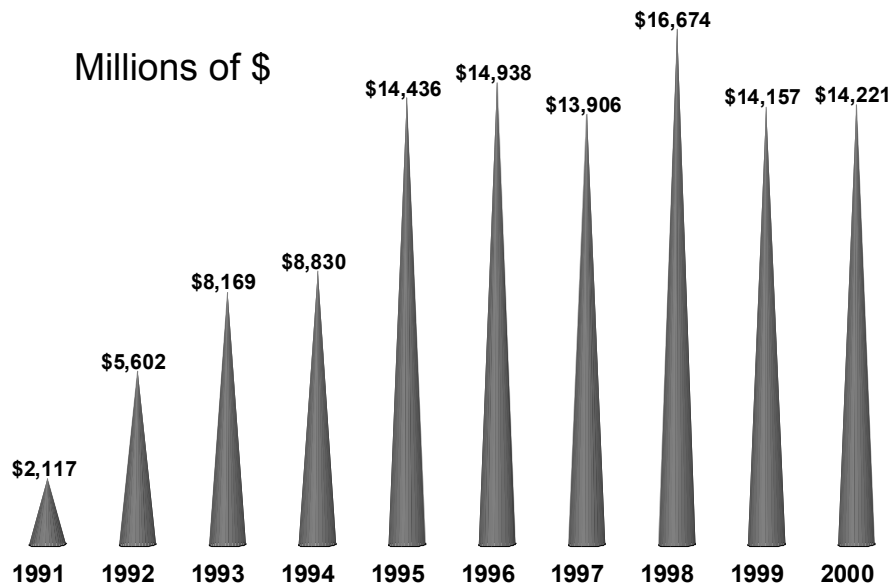


Less than 9 percent of Sanpete County families made more than \$75,000 during 1999.

Source: Utah State Tax Commission.

Other Economic Indicators

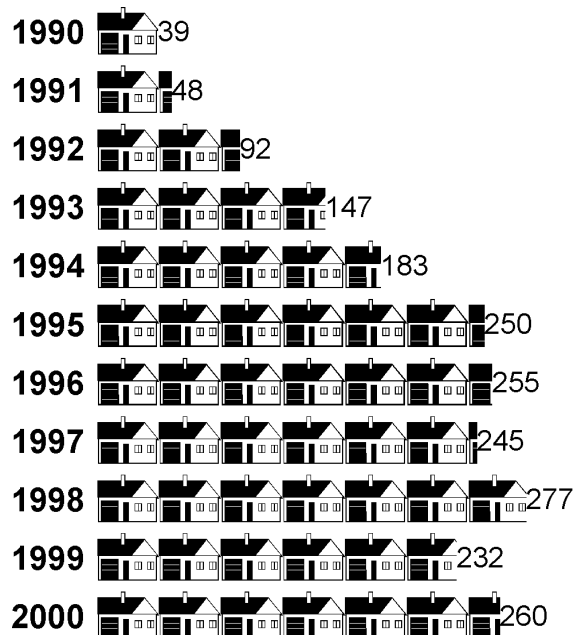
Sanpete County Residential Building Permit Valuation



The value of residential permitting in Sanpete County held at high levels through 2000. However, 1998 remains the peak year for home-building in the county.

Source: University of Utah, Bureau of Economic and Business Research.

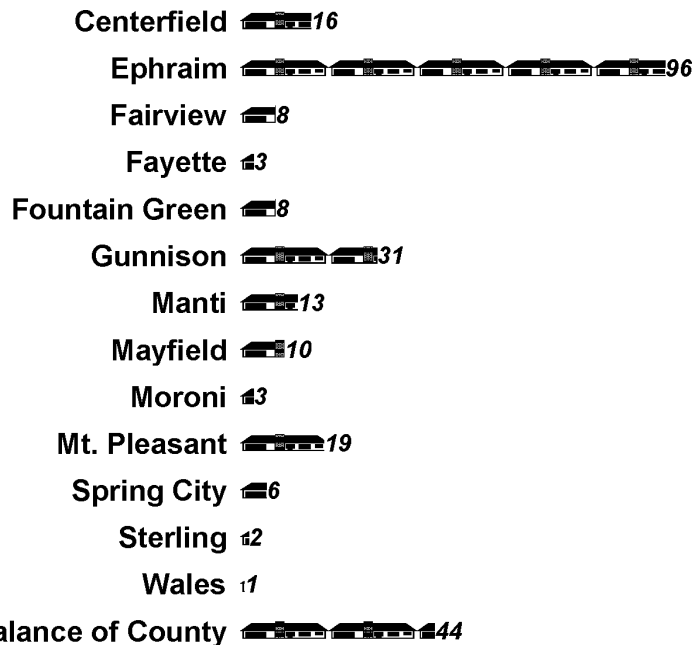
Sanpete County-Permitted Dwelling Units



The number of dwelling units permitted in Sanpete County in each year since 1995 has remained remarkably steady.

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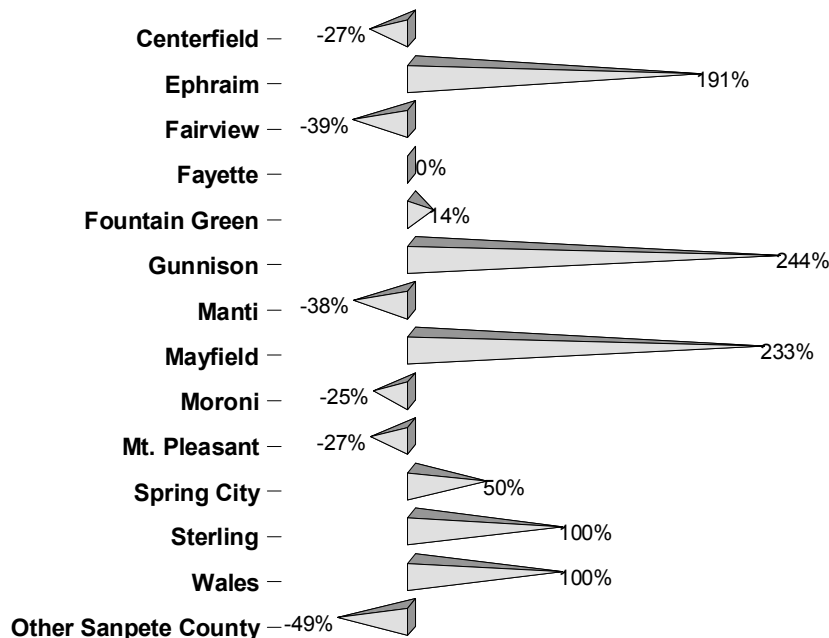
2000 Sanpete County-Permitted Dwelling Units by Community



The majority of home-building in Sanpete County is occurring Ephraim. Gunnison and Mt. Pleasant are also major sources of home-building activity.

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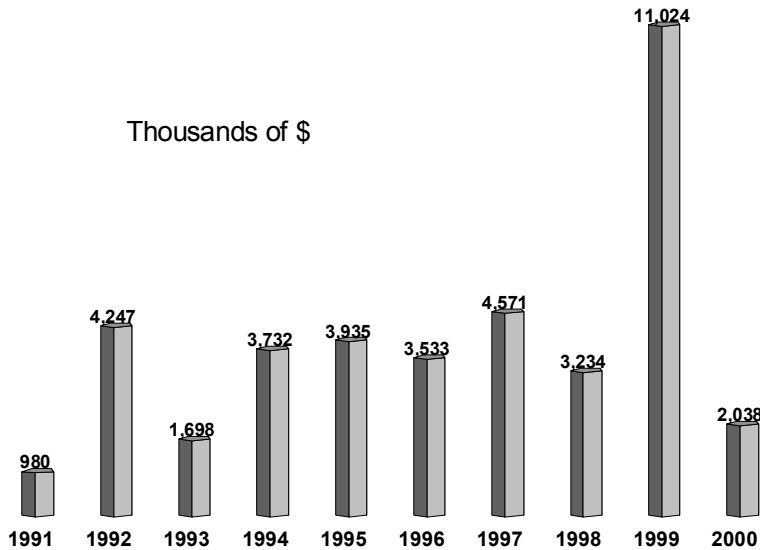
2000 Sanpete County Percent Change in Dwelling Unit Permits



Gunnison and Mayfield experienced the greatest increase in home-building during 2000.

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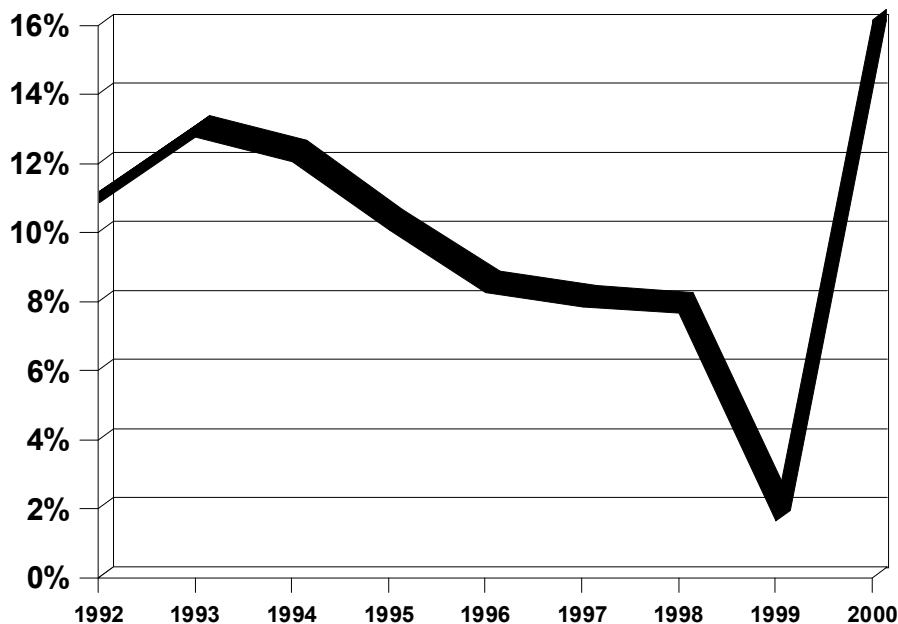
Sanpete County Nonresidential Building Permit Valuation



In 2000, Sanpete County nonresidential construction backed off its scorching 1999 pace.

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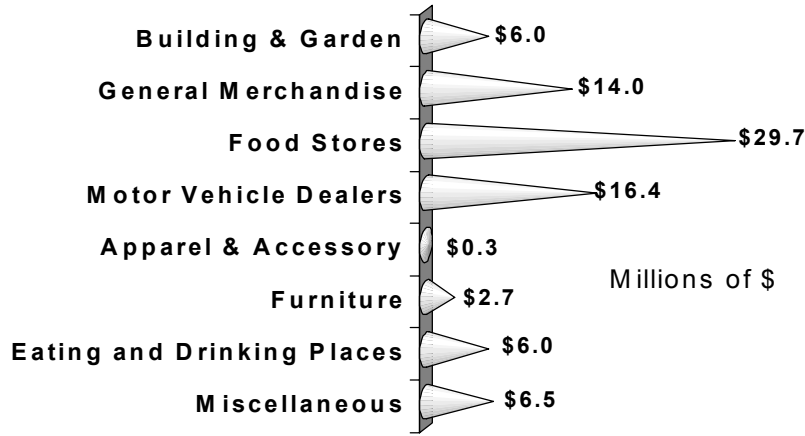
Growth in Sanpete County Gross Taxable Sales



The entrance of WalMart into the Sanpete County economy helped boost gross taxable sales 16 percent in 2000.

Source: Utah State Tax Commission.

Sanpete County 2000 Gross Taxable Sales in Retail Trade Industry



During 2000, food stores showed the strongest sales in the Sanpete County retail trade sector.

Source: Utah State Tax Commission.



Data Profile

State of Utah and Sanpete County Population 1990-2000				
Utah Population		Percent Change from Prior Period	Sanpete County Population	Percent Change from Prior Period
Population Counts from Census (April 1)				
1900	276,749		16,313	
1910	373,351	34.9%	16,701	2.4%
1920	449,396	20.4%	17,505	4.8%
1930	507,847	13.0%	16,022	-8.5%
1940	550,310	8.4%	16,063	0.3%
1950	688,862	25.2%	13,891	-13.5%
1960	890,627	29.3%	11,053	-20.4%
1970	1,059,273	18.9%	10,976	-0.7%
1980	1,461,037	37.9%	14,620	33.2%
1990	1,772,850	21.3%	16,259	11.2%
2000	2,233,169	26.0%	22,763	40.0%
GOPB InterCensal Population Estimates (July 1)				
1990	1,729,227		16,355	
1991	1,780,869	3.0%	16,840	3.0%
1992	1,838,149	3.2%	17,804	5.7%
1993	1,889,394	2.8%	18,594	4.4%
1994	1,946,720	3.0%	19,291	3.7%
1995	1,995,227	2.5%	19,990	3.6%
1996	2,042,894	2.4%	20,898	4.5%
1997	2,099,410	2.8%	21,825	4.4%
1998	2,141,630	2.0%	22,445	2.8%
1999	2,193,014	2.4%	22,513	0.3%
2000	2,246,554	2.4%	22,846	1.5%
Source: U.S. Census Bureau, <i>Profiles of General Demographic Characteristics, 2000, Utah</i> . Utah Population Estimates Committee, unpublished data.				

Sanpete County Population by City 1990 - 2000				
	1990	2000	1990-2000	
			Percent	Number
Sanpete County	16,259	22,763	40.0%	6,504
Centerfield town	766	1,048	36.8%	282
Ephraim city	3,363	4,505	34.0%	1,142
Fairview city	960	1,160	20.8%	200
Fayette town	183	204	11.5%	21
Fountain Green city	578	945	63.5%	367
Gunnison city	1,298	2,394	84.4%	1,096
Manti city	2,268	3,040	34.0%	772
Mayfield town	438	420	-4.1%	(18)
Moroni city	1,115	1,280	14.8%	165
Mount Pleasant city	2,092	2,707	29.4%	615
Spring City city	715	956	33.7%	241
Sterling town	191	235	23.0%	44
Wales town	189	219	15.9%	30
Balance of Sanpete County	2,103	3,650	73.6%	1,547

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, *Profiles of General Demographic Characteristics, 2000, Utah.*

Sanpete County 2000 Ethnic/Minority Population		
	Total Population	Percent of Total
Total	22,763	100.0%
NonHispanic		
White	20,590	90.5%
Black	61	0.3%
American Indian	185	0.8%
Asian	109	0.5%
Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	78	0.3%
Other	4	0.0%
Two or more Races	226	1.0%
Hispanic	1,510	6.6%

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, *Profiles of General Demographic Characteristics, 2000, Utah.*

Sanpete County Nonfarm Jobs 1980-2000

	Total	Mining	Construction	Manufacturing	Trans/Comm/Utilities	Trade	Finance/Insur/Real Estate	Services	Government
1980	3,340	11	140	889	82	503	91	396	1,228
1981	3,251	19	142	843	75	521	87	406	1,158
1982	3,364	18	115	938	76	534	87	357	1,239
1983	3,642	15	120	1,118	85	540	78	372	1,314
1984	3,792	8	152	1,138	100	553	82	400	1,359
1985	3,580	16	169	840	104	583	89	390	1,389
1986	3,471	7	170	727	106	622	92	371	1,378
1987	3,698	8	140	453	120	741	95	381	1,460
1988	3,722	2	137	694	139	800	92	395	1,463
1989	3,873	1	149	804	143	756	97	414	1,509
1990	4,135	0	141	864	125	824	98	423	1,660
1991	4,419	0	169	691	123	879	116	437	2,004
1992	4,508	0	157	672	123	895	115	540	2,006
1993	4,837	0	148	751	135	982	118	603	2,100
1994	5,108	2	173	754	169	1,012	154	699	2,145
1995	5,448	2	203	830	171	1,094	143	775	2,210
1996	5,901	1	281	910	226	1,172	141	859	2,311
1997	6,216	2	324	985	254	1,260	146	890	2,355
1998	6,507	8	395	1,059	261	1,316	153	951	2,364
1999	6,592	9	384	1,090	289	1,309	155	989	2,367
2000p	6,845	9	353	1,127	282	1,425	156	1,048	2,445

Source: Utah Department of Workforce Services,
Utah Annual Report of Labor Market Information, CY 1975-2000 and unpublished data.

Sanpete County Nonfarm Jobs by Detailed Industry 1996-2000

	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000p	1999-2000	
						% Chng	Number
Total Nonagricultural Jobs	5,901	6,216	6,507	6,592	6,845	3.8%	253
Mining	1	2	8	9	9	0.0%	0
Construction	281	324	395	384	353	-8.1%	-31
Building Construction, Gen Contractors (15)	87	104	135	109	95	-12.8%	-14
Heavy Construction (16)	54	56	66	85	65	-23.5%	-20
Special Trade Contractors (17)	140	164	194	191	193	1.0%	2
Manufacturing	910	985	1,059	1,090	1,127	3.4%	37
<i>Durable Goods</i>	<i>184</i>	<i>171</i>	<i>228</i>	<i>271</i>	<i>284</i>	<i>4.8%</i>	<i>13</i>
Lumber and Wood Products (24)	57	55	62	61	66	8.2%	5
Fabricated Metal Products, ex Machinery (34)	40	42	48	61	65	6.6%	4
Other (25,32,33,35,36,37,38,39)	87	74	118	149	153	2.7%	4
<i>Nondurable Goods</i>	<i>726</i>	<i>816</i>	<i>832</i>	<i>820</i>	<i>842</i>	<i>2.7%</i>	<i>22</i>
Food and Kindred Products (20)	525	574	583	546	545	-0.2%	-1
Printing and Publishing (27)	30	26	21	19	20	5.3%	1
Other (22,23,26,28,29,30,31)	171	216	228	255	277	8.6%	22
Transportation/Communications/Utilities	226	254	261	289	282	-2.4%	-7
Trucking and Warehousing (42)	160	188	202	210	196	-6.7%	-14
Communications (48)	45	46	48	65	72	10.8%	7
Electric/Gas/Sanitary Services (49)	17	18	13	13	13	0.0%	0
Other (40,41,45,46,47)	4	1	0	1	1	0.0%	0
Trade	1,172	1,260	1,316	1,309	1,425	8.9%	116
<i>Wholesale Trade</i>	<i>85</i>	<i>98</i>	<i>104</i>	<i>115</i>	<i>104</i>	<i>-9.6%</i>	<i>-11</i>
Durable Goods (50)	32	43	35	35	42	20.0%	7
Nondurable Goods (51)	53	54	68	80	62	-22.5%	-18
<i>Retail Trade</i>	<i>1,086</i>	<i>1,163</i>	<i>1,212</i>	<i>1,194</i>	<i>1,321</i>	<i>10.6%</i>	<i>127</i>
Building/Garden Supply, Hardware, Mobile Homes (52)	38	38	46	81	80	-1.2%	-1
Food Stores (54)	392	408	406	382	361	-5.5%	-21
Auto Dealers and Gasoline Service Stations (55)	158	170	184	190	189	-0.5%	-1
Home Furniture and Equipment Stores (57)	19	20	18	20	27	35.0%	7
Eating and Drinking Places (58)	400	450	487	450	466	3.6%	16
Other (53,56,59)	80	77	71	72	199	176.4%	127
Finance/Insurance/Real Estate	141	146	153	155	156	0.6%	1
Depository Institutions (60)	83	91	94	95	90	-5.3%	-5
Insurance Agents, Brokers, and Services (64)	19	19	20	21	23	9.5%	2
Real Estate (65)	23	18	16	18	22	22.2%	4
Other (61,62,63,67)	16	18	23	21	21	0.0%	0

p = preliminary

Source: Utah Department of Workforce Services, unpublished data.

Sanpete County Nonfarm Jobs by Detailed Industry (Continued) 1996-2000

	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000p	1999-2000	
						% Chng	Number
Services	859	890	951	989	1,048	6.0%	59
Agricultural Services (07)	17	24	35	44	37	-15.9%	-7
Hotels and Lodging Places (70)	63	78	54	49	50	2.0%	1
Personal Services (72)	14	19	23	24	23	-4.2%	-1
Business Services (73)	35	76	87	88	103	17.0%	15
Automotive Repair Services and Parking (75)	35	44	38	33	39	18.2%	6
Health Services (80)	258	260	249	283	296	4.6%	13
Social Services (83)	82	95	116	131	127	-3.1%	-4
Membership Organizations (86)	89	91	91	53	53	0.0%	0
Engineering, Accounting, Research, Management (87)	131	102	119	91	115	26.4%	24
Other (76,78,79,81,82,88,89)	136	146	147	203	217	6.9%	14
Government	2,311	2,355	2,364	2,367	2,445	3.3%	78
<i>Federal</i>	84	77	74	74	83	12.2%	9
<i>State</i>	1,040	1,062	1,072	1,064	1,096	3.0%	32
Higher Education	686	698	695	681	706	3.7%	25
<i>Local</i>	1,187	1,217	1,218	1,230	1,266	2.9%	36
Local Education	765	784	780	795	812	2.1%	17
Other	422	433	438	435	454	4.4%	19
Covered Agricultural Employment*	181	200	221	242	232	-4.1%	-10

* Covered under Utah's unemployment insurance laws.

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Source: Utah Department of Workforce Services, unpublished data.

Sanpete County Employment by Size of Firm First Quarter 2000

Employment Range	Number of Establishments	Employment			Total Quarterly Wages	Average Monthly Wage
		January	February	March		
Total	507	6,446	6,550	6,571	\$27,366,399	\$1,399
0	45	27	11	0	34,975	920
1-4	216	502	506	497	2,206,632	1,466
5-9	128	806	825	821	3,053,886	1,246
10-19	54	744	744	736	3,104,489	1,396
20-49	36	1,086	1,070	1,101	5,150,312	1,581
50-99	17	1,109	1,141	1,132	4,821,375	1,426
100-249	7	874	911	903	3,269,606	1,216
250 & Over	4	1,299	1,342	1,381	5,725,124	1,423

Source: Utah Department of Workforce Services, *Utah Employers, Employment and Wages by Size, 2000*.

Sanpete County Selected Data from the Agricultural Census 1982, 1987, 1992, 1997

	1982	1987	1992	1997
Farms (Number)	772	761	696	776
Land in Farms (Acres)	423,918	447,526	447,463	359,717
Average Size of Farm	549	588	643	464
Farms by Size				
1 to 9 Acres	76	73	55	76
10 to 49 Acres	155	156	138	195
50 to 179 Acres	252	246	210	219
180 to 499 Acres	151	153	153	142
500 to 999 Acres	78	69	63	75
1,000 Acres or More	60	64	77	69
Market Value of Ag Products Sold (\$000s)	47,929	62,791	75,914	82,785
Operators by Principal Occupation--Farming	391	411	386	383
Operators by Principal Occupation--Other	381	350	310	393

Source: U.S. Department of Agriculture, *Census of Agriculture, 1997, Volume I*

Sanpete County Average Monthly Nonfarm Wage 1995-2000

	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000p
Average Monthly Nonfarm Wage	1,262	1,296	1,329	1,365	1,430	1,483
Mining	4,358	4,997	4,591	2,685	2,522	2,480
Construction	1,510	1,454	1,512	1,458	1,565	1,697
Manufacturing	1,379	1,431	1,501	1,504	1,487	1,560
Trans/Comm/Utilities	2,517	2,419	2,284	2,426	2,436	2,541
Trade	694	708	746	760	826	891
<i>Wholesale</i>	1,353	1,241	1,318	1,355	1,404	1,536
<i>Retail</i>	647	666	698	709	770	841
Fin/Ins/Real Estate	1,481	1,458	1,488	1,596	1,774	1,873
Services	1,140	1,167	1,079	1,109	1,222	1,261
Government	1,395	1,449	1,523	1,590	1,652	1,686
<i>Federal</i>	2,339	2,542	2,733	2,781	2,767	2,807
<i>State</i>	1,381	1,419	1,508	1,556	1,617	1,645
<i>Local</i>	1,344	1,398	1,459	1,547	1,616	1,647

Source: Utah Department of Workforce Services *Annual Report of Labor Market Information*, CY 1995-2000 and unpublished data.

Sanpete County Civilian Labor Force and Unemployment Rates 1980-2000

	Civilian Labor Force	Employment	Unemployment	
			Number	Rate
1980	5,928	5,356	572	9.6%
1981	5,853	5,262	591	10.1%
1982	6,208	5,524	684	11.0%
1983	6,772	5,836	936	13.8%
1984	6,189	5,513	676	10.9%
1985	6,066	5,268	798	13.2%
1986	6,087	5,182	905	14.9%
1987	6,306	5,464	842	13.4%
1988	6,145	5,458	687	11.2%
1989	6,150	5,503	647	10.5%
1990	6,365	5,771	594	9.3%
1991	6,561	5,883	678	10.3%
1992	6,522	5,939	583	8.9%
1993	6,898	6,485	413	6.0%
1994	7,310	6,877	433	5.9%
1995	7,419	6,968	451	6.1%
1996	7,926	7,438	488	6.2%
1997	8,336	7,897	439	5.3%
1998	8,710	8,186	524	6.0%
1999	8,685	8,205	480	5.5%
2000p	8,872	8,460	412	4.6%

p = preliminary

Source: Utah Department of Workforce Services, unpublished data.

Sanpete County Permit-Authorized Construction 1997-2000

	1997	1998	1999	2000	% Change 1999-2000
Sanpete County					
New Dwelling Units	245	277	232	260	12.1%
New Residential (\$000)	139,063.0	15,673.7	14,156.9	14,220.7	0.5%
New Nonresidential(\$000)	4,571.4	3,233.7	11,024.3	2,037.5	-81.5%
Additions/Alterations/Repairs					
Residential (\$000)	1,605.3	894.5	1,270.8	1,136.0	-10.6%
Nonresidential (\$000)	1,972.8	591.7	664.4	1,850.4	178.5%
Total (\$000)	22,055.8	20,393.6	27,116.4	19,244.6	-29.0%
Centerfield					
New Dwelling Units	9	11	22	16	-27.3%
New Residential (\$000)	698.1	560.6	1,007.7	540.8	-46.3%
New Nonresidential(\$000)	213.9	119.5	103.5	25.8	-75.1%
Additions/Alterations/Repairs					
Residential (\$000)	120.2	64.6	35.5	36.7	3.4%
Nonresidential (\$000)	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	-----
Total (\$000)	1,032.2	744.7	1,146.7	603.3	-47.4%
Ephraim					
New Dwelling Units	45	61	33	96	190.9%
New Residential (\$000)	2,759.7	2,944.2	1,989.9	4,253.9	113.8%
New Nonresidential(\$000)	621.4	418.5	7,137.7	762.5	-89.3%
Additions/Alterations/Repairs					
Residential (\$000)	63.6	51.8	119.3	51.9	-56.5%
Nonresidential (\$000)	254.5	177.0	384.3	106.8	-72.2%
Total (\$000)	3,699.2	3,591.5	9,631.2	5,175.1	-46.3%
Fairview					
New Dwelling Units	11	5	13	8	-38.5%
New Residential (\$000)	646.4	184.2	539.6	431.2	-20.1%
New Nonresidential(\$000)	178.5	97.6	129.8	59.3	-54.3%
Additions/Alterations/Repairs					
Residential (\$000)	73.3	31.2	43.4	78.8	81.6%
Nonresidential (\$000)	135.3	0.0	230.2	50.0	-78.3%
Total (\$000)	1,033.5	313.0	943.0	619.3	-34.3%
Fayette					
New Dwelling Units	1	4	3	3	0.0%
New Residential (\$000)	26.0	405.9	368.5	205.3	-44.3%
New Nonresidential(\$000)	85.2	0.0	29.6	0.0	-100.0%
Additions/Alterations/Repairs					
Residential (\$000)	75.6	15.9	0.0	12.4	-----
Nonresidential (\$000)	0.0	250.0	0.0	0.0	-----
Total (\$000)	186.8	671.8	398.1	217.7	-45.3%

Source: University of Utah, Bureau of Economic and Business Research,

Sanpete County Permit-Authorized Construction 1997-2000

	1997	1998	1999	2000	% Change 1999-2000
Fountain Green					
New Dwelling Units	14	7	7	8	14.3%
New Residential (\$000)	693.8	270.3	308.0	684.5	122.2%
New Nonresidential(\$000)	14.3	59.4	126.7	22.6	-82.2%
Additions/Alterations/Repairs					
Residential (\$000)	103.1	0.0	27.2	0.0	-100.0%
Nonresidential (\$000)	440.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	-----
Total (\$000)	1,251.2	329.7	461.9	707.1	53.1%
Gunnison					
New Dwelling Units	8	20	9	31	244.4%
New Residential (\$000)	589.9	1,405.2	629.9	1,829.1	190.4%
New Nonresidential(\$000)	1,925.3	1,181.5	1,196.1	344.3	-71.2%
Additions/Alterations/Repairs					
Residential (\$000)	163.8	0.0	161.6	119.6	-26.0%
Nonresidential (\$000)	253.7	64.7	0.0	40.0	-----
Total (\$000)	2,932.7	2,651.4	1,987.6	2,333.0	17.4%
Manti					
New Dwelling Units	23	26	21	13	-38.1%
New Residential (\$000)	1,411.3	1,861.3	1,319.6	631.5	-52.1%
New Nonresidential(\$000)	240.9	309.3	164.7	159.1	-3.4%
Additions/Alterations/Repairs					
Residential (\$000)	208.1	44.8	88.3	142.5	61.4%
Nonresidential (\$000)	100.0	96.0	0.0	279.6	-----
Total (\$000)	1,960.3	2,311.4	1,572.6	1,212.7	-22.9%
Mayfield					
New Dwelling Units	4	6	3	10	233.3%
New Residential (\$000)	228.9	437.2	245.2	594.3	142.4%
New Nonresidential(\$000)	43.6	34.0	36.9	15.4	-58.3%
Additions/Alterations/Repairs					
Residential (\$000)	166.2	52.5	16.3	61.0	274.2%
Nonresidential (\$000)	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	-----
Total (\$000)	438.7	523.7	298.4	670.7	124.8%
Moroni*					
New Dwelling Units	11	10	4	3	-25.0%
New Residential (\$000)	210.8	454.1	350.8	148.5	-57.7%
New Nonresidential(\$000)	129.2	26.5	47.8	7.9	-83.5%
Additions/Alterations/Repairs					
Residential (\$000)	145.2	94.7	143.3	24.3	-83.0%
Nonresidential (\$000)	696.5	0.0	49.9	1,304.1	2513.4%
Total (\$000)	1,181.7	575.3	591.8	1,484.8	150.9%

Source: University of Utah, Bureau of Economic and Business Research,

Sanpete County Permit-Authorized Construction 1997-2000

	1997	1998	1999	2000	% Change 1999-2000
Mt. Pleasant					
New Dwelling Units	33	41	26	19	-26.9%
New Residential (\$000)	1,299.1	1,560.3	1,214.9	898.1	-26.1%
New Nonresidential(\$000)	350.4	155.7	1,217.7	180.2	-85.2%
Additions/Alterations/Repairs					
Residential (\$000)	84.5	161.9	379.4	268.9	-29.1%
Nonresidential (\$000)	58.4	4.0	0.0	25.0	-----
Total (\$000)	1,792.4	1,881.9	2,812.0	1,372.2	-51.2%
Spring City					
New Dwelling Units	9	5	4	6	50.0%
New Residential (\$000)	416.5	308.6	116.2	356.0	206.4%
New Nonresidential(\$000)	166.8	80.7	51.3	27.6	-46.2%
Additions/Alterations/Repairs					
Residential (\$000)	82.9	114.8	69.9	108.4	55.1%
Nonresidential (\$000)	0.0	0.0	0.0	43.7	-----
Total (\$000)	666.2	504.1	237.4	535.7	125.7%
Sterling					
New Dwelling Units	4	2	1	2	100.0%
New Residential (\$000)	262.8	230.4	43.4	56.2	29.5%
New Nonresidential(\$000)	27.6	37.3	25.0	0.0	-100.0%
Additions/Alterations/Repairs					
Residential (\$000)	0.0	13.7	0.0	0.0	-----
Nonresidential (\$000)	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	-----
Total (\$000)	290.4	281.4	68.4	56.2	-17.8%
Wales*					
New Dwelling Units			0	1	-----
New Residential (\$000)			0.0	67.9	-----
New Nonresidential(\$000)			0.0	0.0	-----
Additions/Alterations/Repairs					
Residential (\$000)			0.0	0.0	-----
Nonresidential (\$000)			0.0	0.0	-----
Total (\$000)			0.0	67.9	-----
Balance of County					
New Dwelling Units	73	79	86	44	-48.8%
New Residential (\$000)	4,663.0	5,051.4	6,023.2	3,523.4	-41.5%
New Nonresidential(\$000)	574.3	713.7	757.5	432.8	-42.9%
Additions/Alterations/Repairs					
Residential (\$000)	318.8	248.6	186.6	231.5	24.1%
Nonresidential (\$000)	34.4	0.0	0.0	1.2	-----
Total (\$000)	5,590.5	6,013.7	6,967.3	4,188.9	-39.9%

Source: University of Utah, Bureau of Economic and Business Research,

Sanpete County Gross Taxable Sales

1996 - 2000

	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	% Change
Standard Industrial Classification (SIC code)	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	1999-2000
Agriculture, Forestry & Fishing (111 - 973)	\$40,350	\$119,701	\$163,915	\$61,374	\$79,103	28.9%
Mining (1011 - 1499)	*	*	*	19,124	*	----
Construction (1521 - 1799)	3,786,641	4,103,376	3,728,275	4,110,584	4,022,063	-2.2%
Manufacturing (2011 - 3999)	10,651,249	9,690,138	12,237,487	13,300,072	14,304,272	7.6%
Transportation (4011 - 4789)	*	*	*	13,038	*	----
Communications (4812 - 4899)	5,332,283	5,737,296	6,004,081	6,654,487	7,514,102	12.9%
Electric & Gas (4911 - 4971)	*	5,412,977	7,721,623	7,784,405	9,146,826	17.5%
Wholesale - Durable Goods (5012 - 5099)	1,972,343	2,109,709	3,235,232	2,715,992	4,447,909	63.8%
Wholesale - Nondurable Goods (5111 - 5199)	1,032,564	1,082,308	1,272,628	1,659,276	1,730,036	4.3%
Total Wholesale Trade Sales	3,004,907	3,192,017	4,507,860	4,375,268	6,177,945	41.2%
Retail - Building and Garden Stores (5211 - 5271)	3,635,921	3,932,687	4,553,779	5,405,830	5,965,124	10.3%
Retail - General Merchandise Stores (5311 - 5399)	1,191,108	493,038	885,177	932,935	14,005,219	1401.2%
Retail - Food Stores (5411 - 5499)	25,227,502	29,048,712	30,836,050	31,706,157	29,689,076	-6.4%
Retail - Motor Vehicle Dealers (5511 - 5599)	14,707,680	14,574,203	14,767,163	16,723,278	16,363,763	-2.1%
Retail - Apparel & Accessory Stores (5611 - 5699)	300,039	275,175	354,404	323,736	335,895	3.8%
Retail - Furniture Stores (5712 - 5736)	2,111,099	2,467,394	2,650,619	2,778,945	2,704,973	-2.7%
Retail - Eating & Drinking (5812 - 5826)	4,611,192	5,169,559	5,247,256	5,614,726	5,955,279	6.1%
Retail - Miscellaneous (5912 - 5999)	6,000,842	6,878,244	7,476,165	7,256,019	6,517,736	-10.2%
Total Retail Trade Sales	57,785,383	62,839,012	66,770,613	70,741,626	81,537,065	15.3%
Finance, Insurance, Real Estate (6011 - 6799)	340,412	432,550	1,262,822	1,442,666	1,465,203	1.6%
Services - Hotels & Lodging (7011 - 7041)	1,319,196	1,430,361	1,471,802	1,329,641	1,245,802	-6.3%
Services - Personal (7211 - 7299)	502,360	542,788	462,909	485,916	495,857	2.0%
Services - Business (7311 - 7389)	495,837	715,662	1,154,382	1,679,851	1,105,941	-34.2%
Services - Auto & Misc. Repair (7513 - 7699)	2,617,264	3,305,826	3,366,656	4,160,559	4,966,946	19.4%
Services - Amusement & Recreation (7812 - 7999)	545,987	574,610	592,163	718,772	962,845	34.0%
Services - Health (8011 - 8099)	135,638	111,329	127,795	130,383	176,129	35.1%
Services - Education, Legal, Social (8111 - 8999)	279,733	117,341	159,596	302,226	283,114	-6.3%
Total Service Sales	5,896,015	6,797,917	7,335,303	8,807,348	9,236,634	4.9%
Public Administration (9111 - 9721)	3,357,699	1,214,049	435,317	479,423	503,754	5.1%
Private Motor Vehicle Sales	4,160,320	5,401,488	4,529,609	4,530,630	5,911,301	30.5%
Occasional Retail Sales	134,923	140,092	88,498	118,086	445,905	277.6%
Nondisclosable or Nonclassifiable	4,461,295	2,675,859	202,317	154,188	130,279	-15.5%
Prior Period Payments/Refunds/Adjustments	2,322,036	1,617,891	2,872,504	3,230,369	2,760,054	-14.6%
Total	\$101,273,513	\$109,374,363	\$117,860,224	\$125,822,688	\$143,234,506	13.8%

Source: Utah State Tax Commission *Taxable Retail Sales, Services and Purchases in the State of Utah, CY 1996-2000.*

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